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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Wilder Harrison-O'Neill, and I am a senior student registered nurse anesthetist in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where I also earned my Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

I am writing in strong support of proposed rulemaking 16A-5145 (CRNA), which will formally recognize and license certified registered nurse anesthetists in Pennsylvania, as intended by Act 60 of 2021.

These proposed regulations are a critical step forward for students like myself. They incentivize graduates to remain in Pennsylvania by providing a clear, streamlined path to licensure and professional practice. Without these updates, some of my peers have sought licensure in other states, even at the cost of significant credentialing delays. These changes make Pennsylvania not only an excellent place to pursue nurse anesthesia education, but now a more viable place to begin and grow a career.

As a student currently engaged in leadership roles within both my program, I see firsthand how these regulatory changes will help strengthen the pipeline of highly trained CRNAs who are committed to providing safe, accessible, and cost-effective anesthesia care throughout the Commonwealth.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,
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