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Dear Commission:

IRRC # 3324
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I wholeheartedly support registration of Naturopathic Doctors in Pennsylvania. Registration of Naturopathic Doctors fortifies distinction of their national standards for education and training from federally accredited naturopathic medical colleges by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education (CNME). Registration further assures Pennsylvania residents that their Naturopathic Doctor's title, with the N.D. designation, has the competencies of graduate naturopathic medical education and training in order to practice in PA.

As a mental health professional, I see the need for naturopathic medicine to aid my clients in their mental wellbeing. With many seeking alternative care, I believe that a naturopathic doctor can support this search with what is safe and appropriate. Thus, I would like to see registration of naturopathic doctors to simplify the process of finding reputable NDs. This registration would also give me confidence in the training/credentialing of those I would refer to.

Additionally, I have found relief from chronic conditions in my own life by seeking a ND's care. I suffer from severe migraines, and after working with an ND, what started as a monthly affliction has not occurred in years. I want others to have access to these options as well, which begins with understanding who is fully credentialed in this profession.

Thank you for your commitment to our wellbeing.

Sincerely,

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