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## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION 333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

April 19, 2006

Joanne L. Sorensen, RN, MS, Chairman State Board of Nursing 2601 North 3rd Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

Re: Regulation #16A-5120 (IRRC #2457)

State Board of Nursing Dietitian-Nutritionists

Dear Chairman Sorensen:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

John R. McGinley Jr., Esq.

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson, Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Thomas P. Gannon, Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable William W. Rieger, Democratic Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Pedro A. Cortes, Secretary, Department of State

## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held April 19, 2006

John R. McGinley Jr., Esq., Chairman Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman, by Phone Arthur Coccodrilli John F. Mizner, Esq.

Regulation No. 16A-5120 State Board of Nursing Dietitian-Nutritionists

On February 2, 2005, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Nursing (Board). This rulemaking adds Subchapter G. Dietitian-Nutritionists to 49 Pa. Code Chapter 21. The proposed regulation was published in the February 12, 2005 Pennsylvania Bulletin with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on February 23, 2006.

This regulation implements Act 99 of 2002 by establishing standards of practice for licensed dietitian-nutritionists. The regulation prescribes licensure requirements, standards for professional conduct, continuing education requirements and fees charged by the Board.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. § 212.1(k)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

## BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.

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John R. McGinley, Jr., Esq., Chairman