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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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September 16, 2010

Richard G. Stuempfle, D.P.M., Chair State Board of Podiatry 2601 North 3rd Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

Re: Regulation #16A-4410 (IRRC #2811)

State Board of Podiatry **Continuing Education**

Dear Dr. Stuempfle:

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,

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Enclosure

Chairman

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

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

Honorable Michael P. McGeehan, Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Julie Harhart, Minority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee Honorable Basil L. Merenda, Acting Secretary, Department of State

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held September 16, 2010

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman, by Phone S. David Fineman, Esq. Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III John F. Mizner, Esq.

Regulation No. 16A-4410 (#2811)
State Board of Podiatry
Continuing Education

On December 9, 2009, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Podiatry (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code §§ 29.61 and 29.63a. The proposed regulation was published in the December 19, 2009 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on August 13, 2010.

This final-form regulation increases the biennial continuing education requirement for podiatrists from 30 hours to 50 hours.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. §§ 42.9 and 42.15) 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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Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman