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Subject: I VOTE NO ON NO. 2843 STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY #16A-721: MASSAGE THERAPY

To whom it may concern:

I VOTE **NO** ON NO. 2843 STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY #16A-721: MASSAGE THERAPY

I can attest from personal experience as a professional massage therapist since 1991 that you would be doing the public a great disservice. My clients over the years have gained great benefit from therapeutic massage. This is not a sound course of action, and never has been. We now have behind us years of collective data and experience, all clearly proving the efficacy of therapeutic massage, and a significant percentage of voters strongly believe this to be so. The benefits of this natural modality can be attested to by my clients, which include people from all walks of life, including Doctors, Therapists of all types, including Physical Therapists. I assure you- very few voters realize this issue is in the balance, and would never dream you would take this away from them. For many, it's all they have that "works". I'm hoping you will have the wisdom to see what is behind this effort, and exercise your vote with that same wisdom .

The current/final version of this legislation excludes the word therapeutic, and restricts the scope of practice for massage therapists in such a way that it will effectively cripple the industry's ability to relieve pain and help the general population live healthier lives. The changes made at the October meeting of the IRRC are not acceptable. Massage Therapy is by nature, therapeutic.

I ask that you vote down the current legislation No. 2843 STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY #16A-721: MASSAGE THERAPY

I appreciate your careful consideration in this

Signed,

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