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**Subject:** Registration of Naturopathic Doctors

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**Dear Commission:** 

IRRC # 3324 Agency # 16A ID# 4953

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.

I personally have experienced life-changing healing through naturopathic doctors. I dealt with emotional trauma and autoimmune disease for years and my general physician and other doctors began to tell me I had to live with debilitating symptoms for the rest of my life. I was 24 at the time and wasn't willing to accept this as my reality. I turned to naturopathic doctors who were able to get to the root cause of the symptoms and disease I was experiencing and successfully healed me through natural treatments and remedies. The naturopathic approach provides a holistic perspective which enables the naturopathic doctors to understand the interconnectedness of the body and how to heal the root issues, which unfortunately is a gap in modern medicine. I am forever grateful for these doctors and methods and I beg for the continued support for and registration of naturopathic doctors in PA.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

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