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To whom it may concern:

I would like to express my support of the inclusion of naturopathic doctors in the proposed regulation 16A-4958.

Please know that I have encountered several people in the past 6 months who have been misled by 'practitioners' claiming to be naturopathic doctors in Pennsylvania. These people, claiming to be 'naturopaths', with no medical education whatsoever are obviously not eligible for licensure in any state, and therefore choose Pennsylvania as a place for their fraudulent work, misleading well-intentioned Pennsylvanians who seek help with their health choices. It is paramount for Pennsylvania to regulate properly trained and licensed naturopathic doctors and the proposed regulation 16A-4958 would help protect Pennsylvania citizens from those with no medical education acting as naturopathic doctors.

Please know that I am a resident of Pennsylvania and also licensed by the state of Vermont as a naturopathic physician.

I urge your decision for inclusion of naturopathic doctors for licensure by endorsement in regulation 16A-4958.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Paul Gannon

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Paul Gannon