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To whom it may concern:

HPA The Catalyst, the section on Health Policy and Administration of APTA, offers its support for the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact. The combination of an increasingly mobile society, changes to the access and delivery of health care, as well as changes to the delivery model of education, require solutions that are innovative in their approach and national in their scope. The Physical Therapy Licensure Compact serves such a purpose.

The interstate compact model has served, for almost a century, as a model throughout the nation to bring professions and policy makers together to find innovative state-based solutions to some of America's most pressing issues. Like the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) and the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (IMLC) before it, the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact offers a commonsense solution that will prove to be transformative for patients and providers.

It is our sincere belief that the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact will have a positive impact in assuring that patients can access needed physical therapy services while ensuring greater patient protection and provider accountability, and foster a 21st century model for the delivery of care that will be transformative for current and future generations of providers.

Again, we support the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy and its partners, the American Physical Therapy Association, and the Council of State Governments in their efforts to ensure that the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact becomes a reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ira Gorman".

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