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Dear Chairwoman Donovan,

I am writing to ask for your support of passing of this bill H7299 to improve patients' accessibility to medical care from licensed Naturopathic Physicians. Passage of this bill is very important to me, as I have sought complimentary services to my traditional health care providers through naturopathic physicians, to allow me a holistic and natural approach to my healthcare needs.

This bill will not only help to make this more affordable for myself, but also accessible to many others. I had long considered naturopathic services, but the cost was prohibitive and elected not to pursue naturopathic healthcare. After two years of frustration with my traditional health care providers, and with the support of my husband, we are taking on the financial burden of pursuing naturopathy. Had this been covered by insurance, I would have gladly done this earlier, and been able to put my health ahead of financial concerns.

Thank you for your consideration., and support of this bill.

Sincerely,

Maria A. Rinaudo