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Dear Chairwoman Donovan, I Nancy Gianfrancesco 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. My husband and I are elderly and have been suffering over the years, as we are continuously denied our life saving medications prescribed by their doctors by CVS CAREMARK, especially my husband who is also disabled. We do not chose to be on these medications; rather, these medications are medically necessary. In addition to the aforementioned, there also exists a significant lack of continuity of care between/among providers, which has caused health risks as a result. Finally, navigating the complexities of various health systems for elderly people is unnecessarily difficult, including advocating for medications, dealing with insurance claims, ensuring doctors are regularly consulting prior to performing and/or prescribing medications and/or procedures. Although we are fortunate to have our daughter as our caretaker and advocate, we are to have access to the best possible care. We believe our current medical/health systems lack preventive care approaches, creating more illness/suffering. Not allowing people the choice to get ahead of their health, by choosing preventive care, lacks logic!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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