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Support for Bill H-5351!

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for Bill H-5351 and to advocate for the essential role of aesthetic nurse injectors in our industry. As a business co-owner at Skin Society alongside Nurse Injector Kristina Tasca, I have witnessed firsthand the dedication, passion, and expertise that trained nurse injectors bring to this field.

Kristina's journey in healthcare began with treating children at Hasbro Children's Hospital, demonstrating her deep commitment to patient care. She has since expanded her expertise into aesthetics—not just for cosmetic purposes, but to help individuals restore confidence after significant life changes. Whether it's assisting women who have gone through accidents, illness, or aging-related concerns, she really wants to provide treatments that are much more than skin deep; they are life-changing.

The recent restrictions that have halted nurse injectors from practicing have had devastating consequences—not only for our business but for the entire aesthetics industry in Rhode Island. Kristina, like many other highly trained professionals, invested substantial time, money, and effort into building her career in medical aesthetics. She had her path abruptly cut off before she could even fully establish herself, losing the opportunity to make a positive impact in the community.

From a business perspective, limiting nurse injectors directly threatens our ability to operate, provide services, and sustain a thriving practice. The demand for medical aesthetic treatments is at an all-time high, and preventing nurse injectors from working severely limits access to safe, professional care. Many of our clients rely on these services not just for beauty but for confidence restoration following personal struggles. By removing trained nurse injectors from the equation, we are not only harming professionals like Kristina but also the clients who trust and depend on their expertise and forcing them to drive outside of Rhode Island and bring their business elsewhere.

As a business co-owner, although I don't provide the same services in injections, I am deeply concerned about the financial and operational consequences of these restrictions. If nurse injectors are no longer able to practice, it puts the future of Skin Society at risk and puts a financial burden on me and my career, something we started and worked on together before they put a abrupt halt to nurses.

This is not just about aesthetics. It is about preserving an industry that provides jobs, supports small businesses, and enhances the well-being of countless individuals.

I strongly urge lawmakers to pass Bill H-5351 and allow trained nurse injectors to continue their work. Their contributions to both healthcare and aesthetics are invaluable, and their ability to practice should not be taken away.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Julia Beaune Co-Owner, Skin Society