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Proposed Bill H-5351

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Bill H-5351, which seeks to ensure continued care by a specific healthcare provider, particularly in situations where it would cause undue hardship for a patient to see another provider. As a patient who has been receiving care from Stephany Ghazal, RN for over a year, I can personally attest to the positive impact this provider has had on my health and well-being.

The consistency of care I have received from Stephany Ghazal, RN has been invaluable, truly exceptional. From the very beginning of my treatment, her care has been not only professional but compassionate and tailored to my specific needs. I have consistently felt heard, understood, and supported throughout my ongoing treatment. As someone who suffers from involuntary neuromuscular episodes that mimic seizures, I have benefited tremendously from the care Stephany Ghazal, RN has provided. Her treatment has helped alleviate the distress and immense pressure associated with painful muscle spasms, face twitching, and teeth grinding/clenching. This care has been life-changing, and I trust only her to provide it.

To disrupt this continuity by requiring me to see another provider would create significant challenges. Not only would it introduce unnecessary stress, but it would also risk disrupting the high level of care I have become accustomed to. This continuity is crucial in managing my conditions, alongside my other treatments such as weekly trigger point injections, physical therapy, and cupping. I am certain that transitioning to a new provider would impede my progress and overall health management.

For these reasons, I strongly urge you to consider the positive impact this bill would have on patients like myself. Allowing patients to continue receiving care from trusted providers, especially when they are experiencing good outcomes, is essential for better health outcomes—particularly for those of us with complex chronic pain, having undergone multiple major surgeries, like myself.

This is an important issue that directly affects my well-being and that of many others. I sincerely appreciate your time, efforts, understanding, and consideration of my support for this bill.

Kindest regards, Sarah Mortada