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State House

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*Re: Support for Bill RI-5351 (Protect Practice for Medical & Aesthetic Professionals)*

*To: Members of the Honorable Rhode Island General Assembly,*

*I write to you today in support of the proposed Bill RI -5351. I have been a patient of Jana Magarian (APRN) since 2018 for multiple health concerns, but primarily due to multiple skin cancer lesions on my face. The worst surgery on my face was done back in 2018 when the cancer on one side of my nose had to be removed via MOHS to the extent that I needed an Indian Flap for repair. This left a huge vertical scar going down the entire center of my forehead. I have relied on Jana to address these surgical scars and she had been instrumental in managing my skin conditions and treatments with the utmost exceptional care and to the full extent of her scope of practice.*

*I have always felt reassured and safe under the care of Radiant Esthetics Spa via Jana and her entire staff. I have not only had remarkable results due to Jana's devotion to her profession, but these services have enabled her to continue to effectively help me, year after year, improving my quality of life. Any restrictions on her ability to practice independently would significantly impact my access to her remarkable services and effective healthcare.*

*I strongly urge you to pass this bill. It would be detrimental not only to me, but others like me, if restrictive guidelines limit NP's to practice and fully operate independently.*

*Thank you for considering this important legislation.*

*Sincerely,*

*Suzy Parris*