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Dear committee members,

My name is Cherise Hug and I am a PA living in Anchorage. As a PA practicing in psychiatry for almost 10 years I appreciate you taking the time to consider SB115. PAs are in integral part of health care in Alaska allowing improved access to patients all over the state. I am lucky to work in her profession that is so collaborative in nature. 10 years working in psychiatry has provided me knowledge and expertise in treating a wide range of mental illnesses but it is nice to know that I can collaborate with my collaborating physicians and other PAs in the practice with any questions I may have. I do not do this because of what is dictated in my collaborative plan, I do this to provide good patient care and practicing good medicine. I am in strong support of SB115.

Thank You,
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