

 **WELLSPRING**
Integrative Medical Center

January 21, 2009

Dear Alaskan Legislators:

I write in support of establishment of a Naturopathic Medical Board consisting of three (3) Naturopathic Doctors (ND), one (1) pharmacist and one (1) member of the public. This board is needed to assure the Alaskan public of safe naturopathic care complying with the regulations of ND practice in Alaska.

Wellspring, an Integrative Medical Center, located in Juneau, Alaska, has employed a naturopathic doctor for nine years. Patients constantly acknowledge their gratefulness for this option. However, he has been unable to fully practice his profession in Alaska because there is no ND Board overseeing the totality of his practice for which he was educated for four years, post-baccalaureate degree.

Please support this ND bill to improve wellness and health care for Alaskans, to increase access to ND care and to provide cost-effective options for our communities.

Please contact me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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Owner