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I am writing in support of teletherapy. I believe that it would provide people in rural areas a much needed service. Living in a small community myself, I understand the need for privacy which this would provide to individuals that choose to seek distance teletherapy. It would allow for individuals to find licensed counselors that specialize in their area of need. The ability to find a therapist that fits would also be a benefit. In small communities anonymity is almost unheard of, this form of therapy would allow someone their privacy. The access to therapists in communities that do not have counselors would have insurmountable benefits.