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To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Nicole Baker, Doctor of Physical Therapy and Board Certified Specialist in Orthopedics. I practice and live in Kingwood Texas in an outpatient orthopedic setting.

I am writing this email to express my deepest concerns and opposition to the consolidation of the TBPTE into the TDLR.

As a physical therapist it is very important to me that our governing board be maintained as an independent state!

- It is evident that the TDLR Commissioners do not have the appropriate medical knowledge or healthcare experience to make appropriate decisions involving "hands on" patient care.
- It is also a fiscal concern to consolidate these entities! TBPTE is already cost efficient and operationally effective. Combining these agencies would cost more, deliver less and compromise standards of patient safety in Texas.

Please consider these ideas with great importance in moving forward with this essential decision that will affect thousands of patients receiving quality care in the state of Texas.

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