-----Original Message-----From: sundrupal@capitol.local [mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local] Sent: Tuesday, June 21, 2016 1:24 PM To: Sunset Advisory Commission Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS BOARD PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I am a practicing physical therapist in the state of Texas since 2002. I currently reside in Austin and have worked in a variety of settings including acute care, inpatient rehabilitation and outpatient services. I am representing only myself as a physical therapy professional. I am in SUPPORT of the Sunset Commission's recommendation that the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners join the national Licensure Compact. This will allow physical therapists licensure reciprocity across states and allow therapists and therapist assistants to move from state-to-state with less paperwork.

In addition I OPPOSE the recommendation to strip the Continuing Competence Approval Program (CCAP) away from the Texas Physical Therapy Association and the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (TBPTE). And I OPPOSE the recommendation to remove the statutory (law) that would prohibit the TBPTE from engaging in any future such arrangements. The CCAP program is designed to protect the public and is necessary to ensure the profession is providing the most appropriate and safest care to the citizens of Texas.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Continuation of the CCAP in alignment with the TPTA and TBPTE

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree