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**To:** [Cecelia Hartley](#)  
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**From:** Molly Behymer  
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**To:** Sunset Advisory Commission  
**Subject:** TBPTE should remain an independent board

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Molly Behymer. I am a Doctor of Physical Therapy working in outpatient orthopedics in League City, Texas. I have been practicing for one and a half years. It would be a very injudicious decision to consolidate the TBPTE into the TDLR because the TDLR doesn't have the medical knowledge to make decisions for physical therapists. That would be like consolidating the entire medical profession into the TDLR, which sounds very absurd. We are a doctoring profession, and as such, have been trained to treat patients with evidence-based practice. The TDLR does not have the healthcare expertise to understand what is best for physical therapists, our patients, or the hands-on treatment that we provide for our patients. Combining our profession with the TDLR would make our practice, and therefore our patient care less efficient; in the long run, this will contribute to the ever-increasing cost of healthcare. Our current PT board is cost-effective, efficient, and well-managed. Until there is any evidence to prove otherwise, it is best for the patients that we care for our PT Board to remain an independent board.

I can be reached at 281-338-6777 for any questions. Thank you for spending the time to review my concerns.

Sincerely,

Molly Behymer, PT, DPT

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