-----Original Message-----From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<u>mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local</u>] Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2016 10:05 AM 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:

Hello, my name is Brooke Cody; I currently am a part of a NICU Graduate/Pediatrician's Clinic, a Level 2 NICU, and assist with a local DPT progam tutoring. I am representing only myself as a PT professional.

I would like to submit my support for the Sunset Commission's recommendation that the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners join the national Licensure Compact. This would enable Therapists the ability to transition from state-to-state without the current lag in licensure due to current state differences, providing a smoother transition and quicker employment opportunities.

I also would like to submit my opposition to the recommended strip of the CCAP program administration away from the TPTA and the TBPTE as well as my opposition to the recommended removal of the statutory authority that would prohibit the TBPTE from engaging in any future such arrangements. The CCAP currently provides public protection with the collaboration of the TBPTE.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

I agree with the Executive Council and Texas Boards of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners Staff Report Summary (April 2016) in that physical and occupational therapy merit continued state regulation to protect the public.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree