From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

First Name: Elizabeth

Last Name: Garcia

Title: Physical Therapist

Organization you are affiliated with: N/A

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State: Texas

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

I am a physical therapist working at a Baylor University Medical Center, a Level 1 Trauma Center. I have practiced in Texas for one year. I represent only myself as a practicing physical therapist.

I support the recommendation for the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners to join the national Licensure Compact. I believe this will permit easily mobility of PT's and PTA's across state lines without having to incur the expense, time, and difficulty of sorting differing state licensure needs.

I oppose the recommendation to remove the Continuing Competence Approval Program (CCAP) program administration from the TPTA and the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners. I oppose the recommendation to remove the statutory authority which would prohibit the TBPTE from engaging in any future such arrangements. The CCAP represents the union of the TBPTE and the TPTA. The CCAP is comprised of 109 doctoral-trained Physical Therapy professionals representing 22 distinct medical specialty areas. These individuals use a double-blind professional review process. The CCAP program ensures public protection.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I recommend maintaining the CCAP with the TBPTE. Physical therapists in the state of Texas should review themselves.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree