From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I support the recommendation to organize the regulatory boards for LPCs, LMFTs, SWs and psychologists within a new agency, the Behavioral Health Executive Council, but I oppose the staff's current recommendation for the composition of BHEC, which limits the professional members of the Board to serving only in "ex officio" roles.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I support the recommendation to create the Behavioral Health Executive Council to house all four behavioral health regulatory agencies and I am in agreement with TAMFT in encouraging the use of "professional members" in place of "public members" of the BHEC.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree