



February 21, 2022

Senator Paul Utke  
Chair, Senate Health and Human Services Finance and Policy Committee  
95 University Avenue W.  
Minnesota Senate Bldg., Room 3403  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: S.F. 2302 – Nurse Licensure Compact establishment and appropriation

Chair Utke and Members of the Health and Human Services Finance and Policy Committee,

On behalf of the Medical Alley Association's close to 700 members, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to provide input on Senate File 2302. Medical Alley Association is pleased to support S.F. 2302, enacting the Nurse Licensure Compact in Minnesota.

Founded in 1984, the Medical Alley Association (MAA) is the connector for the most diverse and influential healthcare community in the world. Our mission is to elevate the Medical Alley region as The Global Epicenter of Health Innovation and Care<sup>®</sup>. With representation from every sector of healthcare, and a Board of Directors comprised of leaders from across the healthcare ecosystem, the Medical Alley Association represents the leaders and companies who are committed to envisioning the new patient experience, building economic models for value-based care, and redefining the medical supply chain, ultimately transforming the future of healthcare.

One of our Association's main policy pillars focuses on the importance of talent attraction and retention. Minnesota must continue to prioritize attracting talent and better preparing its existing workforce to impact the future of healthcare. Minnesota needs a consistent supply of top tier talent to uphold its healthcare leadership position. Our association supports policies that enhance workforce attraction, retention, and preparedness – like the Nurse Licensure Compact.

Passing the Nurse Licensure Compact will help attract qualified, skilled nurses to Minnesota to fill current vacancies in clinics and hospitals across the state. This will increase access to care for patients and provide stable career opportunities immediately and into the future. This is an important, timely piece of legislation and we urge the committee's support and passage of S.F. 2302.

Thank you again for the opportunity to share our position on this legislation. Please let me know if Medical Alley Association can provide any additional information or be a resource for this committee.

Sincerely,

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