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Dear Ms. Schiefer,

On behalf of the 150 Pharmasave Members across Ontario, who are pharmacists who independently own and operate community drugstores, I am writing to indicate our strong support to the HPRAC submissions from the Ontario College of Pharmacists (OCP) and the Ontario Pharmacists' Association (OPA). We are in agreement with the concept of an expanded role for pharmacists. Our pharmacist members assist patients on a daily basis with their medication management; through an expanded scope of practice, we can most assuredly contribute even more significantly to the enhanced health care for patients and the community. We encourage the Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Council to review and consider the concepts and ideas brought forward in these submissions.

Please do not hesitate to contact Billy Cheung, Region Director, Pharmacy and Strategic Initiatives for Pharmasave Ontario at [redacted] for more information on how our pharmacists can contribute to the healthcare system through an expanded role.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Glenn Coon, Pharmacist / Owner
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