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Jay P. Douglas Executive Director Virginia Board of Nursing 6603 West Broad Street Richmond, VA 23230-1712

RE: Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners 18VAC90-30-10 et seq.

Dear Ms. Douglas:

I have reviewed the Proposed Regulation, 18 VAC 90-30-10 et seq., in accordance with the Administrative Process Act. The amended regulations to modify the supervisory relationship between a certified nurse midwife and a physician are constitutional and in conformity with statutory provisions.

Sincerely,

Howard M. Casway

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c: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator Department of Health Professions