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Mr. Robert M. Graber
Clerk of the Legislature
92 Franklin Street – 4th Floor Chambers
Buffalo, New York 14202

RE: Letter for clock in – HHS Committee Request

Dear Mr. Graber:

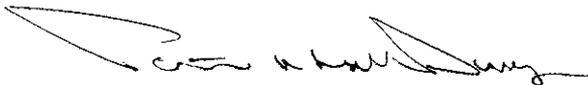
I am writing at the request of Legislator Thomas M. Mazur, in his capacity as Chairman of the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee. My name is Pat Dwyer and I came before the Committee in October, 2009 to request that Erie County Local Law #3 regulating providers of Medicaid home health care be repealed since it has now become redundant and duplicative with the implementation of New York State Department of Health regulations overseeing all home health care providers and the mandated Home Health Care Worker registry.

At the October committee meeting, we were instructed to work with the Department of Social Services and CASA to determine if there were any items that were mandated in the Local Law but were overlooked in the New York State Department of Health Regulations. We were asked to compare and report back to the Committee. This process has now been completed and we are looking forward to coming back to the Committee to report our findings and request to move forward for a repeal of Local Law #3.

I respectfully request that this letter be clocked in, and at the direction of Chairwoman Miller-Williams, be placed into the Health and Human Services Committee for consideration and discussion at their next meeting. Thank you for your cooperation. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 855-2273.

Sincerely,

Erie County Consortium of Home Care Providers



Patricia M. Krall-Dwyer

cc: ~~Hon. Thomas M. Mazur~~
Hon. Raymond W. Walter
Mr. John C. Davis
Mr. Bryan Fiume