ACT NOW! WE HAVE ONLY A FEW DAYS!

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

The DC Society of Anesthesiologists (DCSA) has been <u>flooding</u> the Council with opposition to the legislation. We must let them hear from us!

The Committee on Health will be voting on this legislation on **Thursday**, **March 21**

Committee Members	
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The DCANA has drafted a sample letter for your consideration. Please feel free to edit as you feel appropriate.

Please send a letter to ALL the Council members listed.

If you have any questions about this request or the process, please call Alicia Prince at alicia.prince@georgetownpa.com or 202-888-8240

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<DATE>

Dear Councilmember <NAME>:

My name is NAME and I am a proud Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA) and WARD X resident of the District of Columbia.

I support Bill 25-545, Health Occupations Revision General Amendment Act of 2023, as introduced, and strongly oppose efforts by anesthesiologists to inject fear and misinformation into this discussion. As written, the bill maintains the District's long-established practice of permitting CRNAs to practice without physician supervision. As proposed by the District's Department of Health, the repeal of Section 3–1206.03 serves to further clarify the existing policy authorizing the independent practice of CRNAs.

The anesthesiologist's efforts to turn back the clock to 1995 will dramatically increase costs and decrease access. For thirty years, across the District, CRNAs have provided – and will continue to provide – safe, high quality patient care without these unnecessary constraints.

<Please add 3-4 sentences about your experience, perspective, or support>

Thank you for your efforts to support access to high quality healthcare for all in the District, I respectfully request that you support Bill 25-545, Health Occupations General Amendment Act of 2023, as proposed.

Thank you, NAME/SIGNATURE>