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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3439

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House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care
Oregon State Legislature

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Dr. Ben Reebbs, and I am a licensed naturopathic physician practicing in Portland, Oregon. I strongly support HB 3439, which ensures that naturopathic physicians receive equitable reimbursement for the services we provide, comparable to those offered by other licensed medical professionals.

As primary care providers and specialists in integrative and functional medicine, naturopathic physicians play a vital role in Oregon's healthcare system. We address complex, chronic conditions, provide preventive care, and improve patient outcomes through evidence-based, whole-person treatment. Yet, despite our rigorous medical training and licensure, we continue to face unjust reimbursement disparities that threaten both patient access and the sustainability of our profession. Without pay parity, many naturopathic physicians struggle to keep their doors open, limiting healthcare choices for Oregonians and exacerbating provider shortages.

Passing HB 3439 is essential to ensuring fair compensation for our work, protecting patient access to naturopathic care, and fostering a more inclusive and effective healthcare system in Oregon. I urge you to support this bill and help create a more equitable future for both providers and patients.

Sincerely,
Dr. Ben Reebbs
Portland, Oregon