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Dear Honorable (Member of the House of Representatives/Governor Gretchen Whitmer),

As a member of the Michigan Trauma Coalition, I’ve seen the devastating results of serious auto accidents firsthand. While the immediate response of a catastrophic auto injury is to **save lives**, the long-term response is to **sustain lives**. To properly sustain an individual’s life who has been catastrophically injured means providing consistent and necessary care after the initial trauma is addressed. Senate Bills 530 and 531 would do just that!

The 2019 auto no-fault law change left thousands of individuals short of their required care by slashing home care benefits by 45 percent of 2019 rates. These individuals were promised, and paid for, this care in their insurance premiums. However, the law change made significant cuts to the post-acute care reimbursements that insurance companies pay to home care companies, which resulted in these individuals losing their needed care to sustain life.

While the Michigan Supreme Court provided hope for our catastrophic crash survivors before June 10, 2019, those who were/are injured after this date will not be able to receive the needed care to sustain their life. Senate Bills 530 and 531 would return the reimbursement rates to a sustainable amount and give these thousands of individuals a chance at life. Without this change, our work in the trauma centers will be undermined by inadequate care that results in serious negative health outcomes for the patients we treat.

As a trauma worker, I save lives in the most difficult moments an individual will face. It is important that we allow our fellow health care workers to properly treat and care for the individuals whose lives we saved by giving them the care they deserve and were promised. We ask for your support on the bipartisan auto no-fault law fix.

Sincerely,

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