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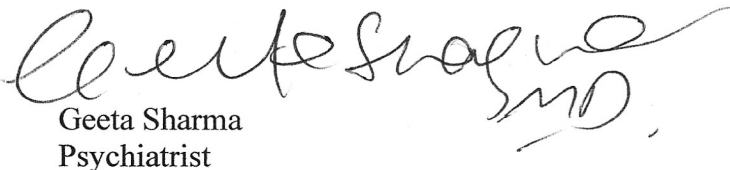
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Please vote in favor of these bills.

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Geeta Sharma
Psychiatrist

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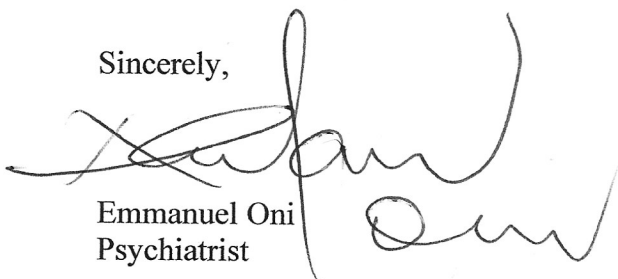
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Patricia Caraballo Osorio
Psychiatrist