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The Honorable Melony Griffith
Chair, Senate Finance Committee
3 East Miller Senate Office Building,
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

RE: SB 534 – Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2023

Dear Chair Griffith and Committee Members:

The Board of Dietetic Practice (the Board) is submitting this letter of support for Senate Bill (SB) 534 – Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2023.

The Board supports the extension of time for telehealth to include audio-only telephone conversations between a health care provider and a patient that results in the delivery of a billable, covered health care service. In addition, the Board supports the reimbursement of telehealth services at the same rate as if the health care service were delivered by the health care provider in person. The Board believes this will provide greater access to health care services.

For these reasons, the Board urges a favorable report on SB 534. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact me at 410-764-4741 or marie.savage@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

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Board of Dietetic Practice

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