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Dear Members of the Senate Finance Committee,

I am a Maryland resident and have practiced as an anesthesiologist for 26 years. I have supervised Certified Anesthesiologist Assistants within the anesthesia care team model at several practice locations (academic and private practices), and my experience with CAAs has been excellent.

In the context of the current anesthesia provider shortage, the licensure of CAAs in Maryland would help provide Maryland residents with safe and timely care. Please support Senate Bill 951 (State Board of Physicians – Anesthesiologist Assistants – Licensing).

I would be happy to provide additional background and/or testimony should you find such information helpful.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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