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Hello,

I am writing to urge your support for the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Interstate Licensure Compact. As a member of the National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs (NATSAP) and an employer of numerous Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSWs) at my program, I believe this compact is essential for our field.

NATSAP ensures the well-being of children in therapeutic schools and programs across several states. Our LCSWs play a vital role in addressing mental health and emotional needs, supporting growth and development. However, current state licensure requirements hinder efficient service delivery across state lines. The NASW Interstate Licensure Compact offers a solution, allowing LCSWs to practice across state borders without compromising quality and safety.

Supporting the NASW Interstate Licensure Compact offers several key benefits:

- *Improved Access to Quality Care: Qualified LCSWs can reach children in states with mental health professional shortages.*
- *Faster Response Times: LCSWs can respond promptly to crisis situations or urgent care, regardless of the child's location.*
- *Mobility for LCSWs: The Compact provides flexibility for LCSWs to relocate or offer expertise in various states.*
- *Enhanced Collaboration and Expertise: LCSWs from different states can collaborate and share knowledge.*
- *Boost to the Economy: The Compact reduces bureaucratic hurdles, stimulating economic growth and innovation in the mental health care sector.*

Please consider co-sponsoring or supporting the NASW Interstate Licensure Compact bill in the upcoming legislative session, demonstrating your commitment to children's well-being and mental health care across state lines.

For more information or questions about the Compact, visit <https://www.socialworkers.org/Advocacy/Interstate-Licensure-Compact-for-Social-Work>. To learn more about NATSAP, contact NATSAP's Public Affairs Director, Maddy Schoap, at maddy@natsap.org.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter, and we look forward to your support for the NASW Interstate Licensure Compact.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Your Title/Position in NATSAP]

[Organization Name]

[Contact Information]