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Mr. Ron Briel
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Dear Mr. Briel:

We would like to submit this letter as a letter of support for the licensure of Surgical Assistants and Surgical Technologists here in the State of Nebraska. It is our understanding that a review is currently being conducted to achieve this objective.

Surgical Assistants and Surgical Technologists provide a very valuable function in all components of the surgical case and the overall patients care. They help with the efficiencies in the operating suite, help to insure a sterile environment, and assist the surgeon with the technical and professional components of surgery. Our hope is that whatever transpires Surgical Assistants and Surgical Technologists can practice in the manner for which they are trained and in the fashion that they had before this issue arose.

As a very active group of General, Bariatric and Colorectal surgeons here in Lincoln, Nebraska that relies on having outstanding technical and professional support in our facilities, we hope that you will call on us if we can provide of any further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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