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The State Education Department Office  
of the Professions Committee on the  
Professions West Wing, 2nd Floor  
80 Washington Ave.  
Albany, NY 12234

Re: Supporting Affidavit for Restoration of Professional License

In the Matter of Serafina Corsello, M.D.  
NYS License # 096113

Dear Sir:

I am a physician practicing in the State of Washington as a medical practitioner with practice focused on adult medicine and special interest in complementary, alternative medicine (CAM). I have served on the advisory committee of the U.S. Congress evaluation of alternative cancer treatments (1986-1990) as well as the advisory committee of the National Institutes of Health Office of Alternative Medicine (1991-1992). I am the medical editor of a scientific medical ~publication, the Townsend Letter for Doctors and Patients (1983-present) and have published editorials regarding the practice of complementary, alternative medicine.

Dr. Corsello and I share collegial activities as members of a number of organizations which teach and train practitioners in complementary, alternative medicine. These organizations provide Category I CME physician accreditation. In addition these organizations provide expertise establishing credentialing for physicians to practice CAM professional activities including the administration of EDTA chelation treatment. The administration of CAM diagnostics and treatments is recognized by CAM organizations to which Dr. Corsello and I have maintained membership and examination. The allegations in the matter of NYS Department of Health evaluating Serafina Corsello, M.D. is flawed. The document asserts a priori that CAM practices are inappropriate and without legitimate medical purpose. In fact, the organizations and societies which Dr. Corsello and I belong to assert that such CAM professional practices are appropriate, WITH LEGITIMATE MEDICAL PURPOSE and are necessary for the practice of CAM. Hence, the professional evaluation of Serafina Corsello, MD is flawed and the determination that Dr. Corsello

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departed from accepted standards of medical practice is not factually correct. The laboratory diagnostics that Dr. Serafina Corsello performed are acceptable laboratory procedures performed by physicians practicing CAM medicine routinely. Such laboratories are acceptable standards in the practice of CAM medicine. Such laboratory testing is WITH LEGITIMATE PURPOSE in the practice of CAM medicine. The administration of intravenous vitamins and minerals is noted to be acceptable treatment in the practice of CAM medicine and is the procedure followed by physicians throughout the U.S. in the practice of CAM medicine. Such treatments are acceptable and WITH LEGITIMATE PURPOSE in the practice of CAM medicine. The conclusion of the Department of Health with regard to the matter of Serafina Corsello, M.D. is incorrect.

I have known Serafina Corsello, M.D. for greater than 15 years as colleague, member of professional societies, teaching practitioners in CME courses and author of publications. She is involved in teaching and leadership activities in CAM medicine. Her delicensure by the State of New York is not meritoriously based and deserves reversal with restoration of her medical license.

I am licensed in the State of Washington as a medical doctor.  
My license number is MD Lic. # MD000164094

Sincerely,

Jonathan Collin, M.D.