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To Whom It May Concern,

As you may know, fluoroscopy is a diagnostic tool that allows real-time imaging, helping providers with better decision-making and improved patient outcomes. The integration of fluoroscopy into the NP's skill set has already proven to be safe and effective in several other states, with no reported adverse outcomes.

As the CEO of a small, rural hospital in Western Nebraska, I am writing to express my strong support for the proposal to allow Nurse Practitioners (NPs) in Nebraska to use fluoroscopy in their practice just as Physician Assistants (PAs) already do. This change is crucial not only for the enhancement of patient care in Nebraska, but even more so to ensure we meet the growing demands for healthcare in rural communities where providers and resources are scarce. NPs have been trained to manage a variety of health conditions, and their scope of practice continues to evolve, particularly when backed by the extensive training and education programs they complete. Often, due to cost and recruiting limitations, NPs are the only credentialed provider staffing the emergency department within our rural hospital. Allowing NPs to perform fluoroscopy will help expedite care as well as ensure we are providing the necessary healthcare the patients deserve.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I urge you to consider the significant positive impact this proposal would have on patient care, especially in rural communities where access to healthcare resources and providers are already limited. I strongly encourage you to approve this initiative and support Nurse Practitioners to ensure we can provide the necessary patient care to all Nebraskans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Cassie Gasseling'.

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