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The Honorable Melissa Melendez California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 6031 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 333 (MELENDEZ) – HEALING ARTS: CONTINUING EDUCATION -NEUTRAL

Dear Assemblymember Melendez:

The California Board of Psychology (Board) has removed its oppose position on AB 333, which would allow a licensee of a healing arts board that developed regulations allowing the application of credits gained by becoming a certified trainer for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or the proper use of an automated external defibrillator (AED) to his or her continuing education (CE) requirement.

The amendments of June 24, 2015 addressed the Board's concern that while CPR/AED training is important, it cannot be argued that it is fundamental to, or enhances the understanding of, the practice of psychology. The Board will no longer be obliged to opt out of the law and therefore has rescinded its opposition to the bill.

The Board's mission is to advance quality psychological services for Californians by ensuring ethical and legal practice and supporting the evolution of the profession.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Board's Executive Officer, Antonette Sorrick, at (916) 574-7113. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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MICHAEL ERICKSON, PHD President, Board of Psychology

cc: Senate Appropriations Committee