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**For or Against or Neutral:** Against

**Oral/Written Testimony:** Written

**Written Testimony**

I am Sherry Wei. I own and operate multiple massage establishments and medical spas in the DFW area. I am also a graduate of Healing Hands Massage Institute, and I oppose denying their petition to offer an associate degree.

Healing Hands gave me an exceptionally strong foundation in anatomy, physiology, pathology, and clinical thinking. When I later pursued the physician assistant path to support and expand my medical spa practice, I was required to retake many of the same subjects. The problem was not the quality of HHMI's instruction. The problem was that Texas would not fully recognize coursework that HHMI had already taught more thoroughly than what I was required to repeat.

That duplication cost time and money, and it delayed my ability to move forward in both business and healthcare education.

I understand Texas has a complicated relationship with massage, and that has delayed adoption of quality massage accreditors like COMTA. But students and employers should not be penalized for that delay. HHMI is already operating to a nationally recognized standard. I employ graduates, I see outcomes, and HHMI's training meets the standard. Please do not deny HHMI's petition, and please continue working with HHMI to resolve these challenges.