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The Honorable Wayne MacDonald, Chair
House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee
Legislative Office Building, Room 205
33 North State Street
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Honorable Members of the House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

I am writing to express my strong support for **HB751**, a bill that aims to improve the certification process for alcohol and other substance misuse treatment facilities in New Hampshire. As a person in long term recovery for over 35 years I am community member who is deeply committed to supporting individuals in recovery and enhancing the effectiveness of addiction treatment, I believe that this bill is a critical step toward ensuring that all individuals seeking help for substance misuse receive the highest quality care in an environment that is both safe and supportive.

Substance misuse continues to be a pressing issue in New Hampshire, affecting families and communities across our state. The certification of treatment facilities is a key factor in ensuring that individuals in need of care can access services that meet recognized standards of quality and effectiveness. HB751 will help to create a clear, transparent, and reliable process for certifying treatment centers, which will, in turn, protect individuals in treatment, ensure consistency in care, and promote public health.

The importance of providing quality treatment services cannot be overstated. Substance use disorder is a complex, multifaceted issue, and those seeking treatment must have access to care that is not only accessible but also evidence-based and delivered by trained professionals. HB751 ensures that treatment facilities are held to high standards, helping to provide a greater degree of trust and confidence in the system.

I strongly urge you to support HB751, as it represents a significant step forward in improving addiction treatment and recovery efforts in New Hampshire. By ensuring that our treatment facilities meet established standards, we can improve outcomes for individuals struggling with substance misuse and promote the overall health and well-being of our state.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,
Cheryle Pacapelli – woman in long term recovery 35+

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