October 29, 2019

The Honorable Frank Pallone, Jr.
Chair, Energy & Commerce Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Eliot Engel
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Greg Walden
Ranking Member, Energy & Commerce Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Tom Reed
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Yvette D. Clarke
Vice Chair, Energy & Commerce Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Buddy Carter
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Pallone, Ranking Member Walden, Vice Chair Clarke, and Representatives Engel, Reed, and Carter:

The Patient Quality of Life Coalition wishes to express our sincere thanks for your support of H.R. 647, the Palliative Care and Hospice Education and Training Act (PCHETA), which passed in the House yesterday. This important piece of legislation will make a difference in the lives of millions of Americans suffering from serious illness, as well as their families and caregivers.

Again, we appreciate your personal attention to this issue and your support throughout the House legislative process. We look forward to working with you as we advocate for PCHETA to move through the Senate and to final passage.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Keysha Brooks-Coley, Chair, Patient Quality of Life Coalition at Keysha.brooks-coley@cancer.org.

Sincerely,

Alzheimer’s Association
Alzheimer’s Impact Movement
American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine
American Academy of PA’s
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer

American Geriatrics Society
American Heart Association | American Stroke Association
American Psychological Association
American Psychosocial Oncology Society
American Society of Clinical Oncology
Association of Oncology Social Work
Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses
Association of Professional Chaplains
The California State University Institute for Palliative Care
Cambia Health Solutions
Cancer Support Community
Catholic Health Association of the United States
Center to Advance Palliative Care
Children’s National Health System
Coalition for Compassionate Care of California
Colorectal Cancer Alliance
Compassus
Courageous Parents Network
ElevateHOME | Visiting Nurse Associations of America
The Gary and Mary West Health Institute
The George Washington Institute for Spirituality and Health
GO2Foundation for Lung Cancer
HealthCare Chaplaincy Network
Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
Motion Picture & Television Fund
National Alliance for Caregiving
National Association for Home Care & Hospice
National Association of Social Workers
National Brain Tumor Society
National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship
National Coalition for Hospice and Palliative Care
National Comprehensive Cancer Network
National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization
National Palliative Care Research Center
National Patient Advocate Foundation
National POLST Paradigm
Oncology Nursing Society
Pediatric Palliative Care Coalition
Physician Assistants in Hospice and Palliative Medicine
Prevent Cancer Foundation
ResolutionCare Network
Social Work Hospice & Palliative Care Network
Society of Palliative Care Pharmacists
St. Baldrick’s Foundation
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