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The Honorable Bill Quirk
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Room 5120
Sacramento, CA 94249-0020

Re: AB 1733 (Quirk) – Support Position

Dear Assemblymember Quirk:

During their meeting on May 19-20, 2022, the Medical Board of California (Board) adopted a Support position on AB 1733, which modernizes the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (the Act) to facilitate the use of online or teleconference-based public meetings.

Importantly, the bill preserves public access to Board meetings through remote means and a required in-person location from which they may observe or engage in a public meeting.

The bill is expected to provide multiple benefits to the Board associated with teleconference/online meetings, including:

- Less staff time required to plan meetings
- Reduced travel requirements will increase Board member and staff productivity
- Long term savings to the Board due to reduced travel and security expenses

Thank you again for introducing this important legislation. Please contact Aaron Bone, Chief of Legislation and Public Affairs, at (916) 274-6251 or via email at Aaron.Bone@mbc.ca.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: Assemblymember Miguel Santiago, Chair, Assembly Governmental Organization
Committee

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