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patients." Currently, nurse practitioners can only care for patients from within a written collaborating agreement with a physician, which prevents nurse practitioners from opening their own practices in communities that lack physicians and urgently need more primary care options.

"We are facing a looming public health crisis, as the primary care gap continues to grow" said Senator Lisa Boscola, prime Democratic sponsor of Senate Bill 25. "This bill is about providing more Pennsylvanians with quality healthcare. Senate Bill 25 would position nurse practitioners to fill that gap, providing patients greater options, increased access, and improved appointment availability across the board."

PCNP President Cheryl Schlamb, DNP, CRNP emphasized that while the focus of Senate Bill 25 is to improve access and provide benefits to patients, legislators also must be aware of the consequences caused by restrictions in Pennsylvania.

"Each day that Pennsylvania does not offer Full Practice Authority is another day that PA loses urgently-needed healthcare providers," says PCNP President Schlamb. "Nurse practitioners who study at Pennsylvania's excellent nursing schools end up fleeing the state after graduating. They discover better opportunities in neighboring states



like Maryland, New York, and Delaware, where they can practice with greater independence, open their own clinics, and care for a greater number of patients."

27 states and the District of Columbia have already granted Full Practice Authority to nurse practitioners, ending the unnecessary administrative burden of restrictions in favor of greater healthcare options for patients. Nurse practitioners in the VA system are also granted Full Practice Authority while serving active military patients and veterans.

"When Pennsylvania temporarily lifted restrictions on nurse practitioners in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, we stepped up to the challenge and worked on the front lines as 'healthcare heroes' to care for patients across PA," said PCNP President-Elect Amanda Laskoskie, DNP, CRNP. "Nurse practitioners proved that we can successfully work independently without restrictive col-

laborating agreements, that we can increase access to care, and that we can treat a greater number of patients when these restrictions are lifted."

The nurse practitioners who gathered at the PA Capitol today, along with Senate Bill 25's bipartisan sponsors and PCNP leaders, are hoping this is finally the year that the PA legislature will pass Full Practice Authority and modernize Pennsylvania's outdated nursing law.

"If Covid-19 was not a successful 'pilot test' where nurse practitioners proved they are ready for Full Practice Authority," continued Laskoskie, "then I don't know what is."

## Toni Lynch: Write In Candidate For Bangor Area School Board Is Pleased To Announce His Endorsement Of Mike Goffredo, Zachary Miller, And Annamarie Robertone.

Mike Goffredo Has Been A Stand Out Leader On The Bangor Area School Board For Over 15 Years And Is Currently The Board President, Mike Has Outstanding Leadership Skills And Invaluable Knowledge Of Building Construction As Well As Water And Sewage Plants, Mike Has Brought A New Level Of Continuity To The Board As A Whole And As An 11 Year Board Member Myself Mike Has My Personal Endorsement To Be Re-elected To Another Term.

Zachary Miller: Zach Has Been A 4 Year Board Member And Has Worked Diligently On The Curriculum Program, And Has Been An Excellent Board Member With A Fair Minded Approach To Board Decisions, Zach Has A Been A Great Source Of Information Of School Operations, And Is A Valuable Asset To The Community And Bangor Area School District. I Personally Am Proud To Endorse Zach Miller For Another Term On The Board.

Annamarie Robertone: Annamarie Is A New Candidate Vying For A Board Seat, Having Interviewed Her At Great Length I Have Concluded, She Is Very Knowledgeable On A Number Of Issues That Often Come Before The Board, Annamarie Is Well Versed Understanding The Plight Of The Taxpayers Of The Community And Would Be A Great Member Of The Board, Her Knowledge Of Finance And Budgeting Will Serve The Taxpayers Well. I Wholeheartedly Personally Endorse Annamarie.

Toni Lynch: Due To An Error On My Filing Petition, It Was Challenged By A Taxpayer. And I Was Removed From The Ballot T As A Republican Candidate, I Have Also Filed On The Democratic Ticket And Will Be On The Ballot T, However Republican Voters Will Have To Write In My Name. I Have 11+ Years On The Board And In The Past Have Won Re-election Comfortably. The Skills I Bring To The Board Have Been Developed Over The Years Graduating From Bangor In 1965, Then Serving In The Military For 3 Years As An Artillery Air Defense Officer In Vietnam, I Have Run My Own Business For Over 40 Years, And Have A Vast Knowledge Of Building Construction, Budgeting, Cost Saving Technology, I Have Earned More Than 57 Local State And National Energy Efficient Building Construction Awards. I Will Be Grateful To Serve Another Term On The Bangor Area School Board Should The Taxpayers Of This Community Seek To Exert The Effort To Write In My Name.

## BLUE VALLEY FARM SHOW YOUTH ADVISORY ALL MOTOR SHOW!

DATE: JUNE 25TH  
TIME: 12PM-4PM

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BLUE VALLEY FARM SHOW GROUNDS  
BANGOR, ROUTE 512

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EVENT AND TO BENEFIT THE BLUE VALLEY  
FARM SHOW YOUTH ADVISORY IN THE  
PURSUIT OF BUILDING AN AGRICULTURAL  
MUSEUM!