WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSIT

Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology College of Education and Human Development

April 29, 2019

RE: Proposed bill to revise the Public Health Code, Part 181 Counseling

Dear Legislator,

The counselor education unit faculty in the Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology at Western Michigan University strongly support the proposed revisions to the Counselor Licensure Law (Part 181 of the Public Health Code). We believe that the revisions are consistent with current language in the administrative rules and further clarify the existing scope of practice for professional counselors. The proposed language more fully reflects the educational standards, the training, and the scope of practice of Licensed Professional Counselors.

We are grateful for your efforts on behalf of professional counselors in Michigan. If you would like any additional input or support, please let us know.

Sincerely,

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