**Doctoral Student**

November\_\_\_\_, 2017

Dear Representative \_\_\_\_\_,

I am a doctoral student studying clinical psychology at the Michigan School of Professional Psychology (MiSPP) and am writing to you in support of Senate Bill­­­ 634.

*Ideas: First paragraph*

* *personally speak to why you selected the field of psychology, what you’ve invested in terms of time, energy, efforts, cost; highlight your passion to serve*
* *what you plan to do with your career – who will you serve?*
* *how does this service help the community/society? Is there any way that this specifically helps Michigan?*
* *if you’ve been a Michigan resident, emphasize connection to the state*

*THEN:*

* *why it’s important to have the TLLP extended (see below)*

**IF THIS IS THE CASE:** Currently my TLLP expires on December 31, 2017 with no extensions granted in existing Michigan law. Without this license, it is likely that I will be prevented from completing the clinical training component of my doctoral education because most training sites require student trainees to hold post-masters’ licenses. As a result, my ability to complete my degree, after considerable effort and great expense, is severely compromised.

**IF YOU DO NOT YET HAVE YOUR TLLP:**

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SB 634 allows for extension of my TLLP license in a timeframe sufficient to complete ALL requirements of my doctoral program, including clinical training in practicum and internship.

I ask you to vote in support of SB 634 so that I may fulfill my doctoral education and training requirements and thereby serve the citizens of the State of Michigan.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, TLLP

Temporary Limited Licensed Psychologist\*

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\* IF YOU ARE NOT A TLLP, JUST SIGN MISPP DOCTORAL STUDENT