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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the National Association of Social Workers, New Mexico (NASW-NM), I am pleased to provide this letter of support for the NM End of Life Options Coalition and their work pursuant to Aid in Dying and Compassionate End of Life Choices in New Mexico. Their evidence based, culturally humble, and highly important work are aligned with the latest advances in both medical and social sciences.

NASW-NM has partnered with NM End of Life Options Coalition in several ways and recognizes the contributions they have provided to the overall advancement of healthcare for all.

NASW-NM has a successful track record of working with NM End of Life Options Coalition through multiple projects, including the following examples:

- Professional Development
- Interdisciplinary Networking
- Effective, Nonpartisan Legislative Advocacy

The social workers of New Mexico value the work of the NM End of Life Options Coalition in seeking the best possible health choices for the residents of our state. The staff of the NM End of Life Options Coalition have great technical expertise and field-specific knowledge not found elsewhere. Additionally, they are a gracious and willing partner in assisting NASW-NM in our efforts to support balanced and fair policy for the citizens of New Mexico. Their leadership around the End of Life Options Act is crucial.

I am pleased to support the NM End of Life Options Coalition without hesitation. We at NASW-NM sincerely hope they will retain the ability to continue to provide much needed expertise to our field and other community partners in New Mexico for years to come.

Regards,



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