

May 10, 2021

**Senator Tim Kaine**  
United States Senate

Re: Support S.3599 / H.R.2255

Dear Senator Kaine,

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An essential step in expanding access to care is increasing the physician workforce. During this pandemic, the role of International Medical Graduates (IMGs) is even more critical to care for the thousands of patients battling COVID-19. The Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act would help these health care clinicians provide much needed access to care.

The MSV joins healthcare stakeholders from across the country in asking for your support for S.3599 / H.R.2255. We would like to thank other members of the Virginia healthcare community in Virginia, such as the American College of Physicians and the Virginia Rural Health Association, for their advocacy on this issue. As a member of Virginia's Congressional delegation, we ask for your support for these pieces of legislation.

Sincerely,



Dr. Arthur J. Vayer: President, Medical Society of Virginia

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