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The Honourable Shafiq Qaadri, MPP Chair, Social Policy Committee Room 1405, Whitney Block Queen's Park Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A2

## Submission in Support of Bill 171Q

Dear Sir:

The Alliance of Psychotherapy Training Institutions is a group of seventeen Ontario organizations that represent the full range of psychotherapy traditions and includes both independent and university-based programs. Taken together, we have over a century of experience in psychotherapy education, and our connections with international associations reach across the globe.

We respectfully submit the enclosed document that supports the provisions of Bill 171Q to regulate psychotherapists in Ontario.

Our document also outlines a series of consultations among our institutions that have accomplished what we consider to be a monumental task: we have agreed on a curriculum that we are each willing to implement. We believe that our collaboration will ensure protection for the public in two regards:

First, by making sure that high minimum standards for admission to psychotherapy practice are applied consistently, whatever the tradition of psychotherapy training.

And second, by incorporating a full range of psychotherapy training programs so as not to limit access to psychotherapy that may be appropriate or particularly helpful to some citizens of Ontario.

APTI and its member institutions stand ready to make our expertise available to your committee.

Yours sincerely,

Linda J. Page, Ph.D. Chair

Encl: Brief

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