## Attention: Alabama Licensed Massage Therapist: Effective June 1, 2024

Pursuant to Alabama Act No. 2024-361 (the act), the Alabama Board of Nursing (ABN) has assumed temporary oversight and regulation of professional massage therapy in Alabama effective June 1, 2024, pending the reconstitution of the Alabama Massage Therapy Board, which was terminated by the act and will be reconstituted as the Alabama Massage Therapy Licensing Board (AMTLB).

The current Massage Therapy Board remains in place through May 31, 2024. Accordingly, communication should be directed to that board until June 1, 2024.

Effective June 1, 2024, the ABN will begin temporary oversight until a new AMTLB is appointed. Once the Board is appointed the Executive Officer (EO) of the ABN will continue in the EO role for the AMTLB until October 1, 2026.

During the period of temporary oversight and regulation, the ABN's goal is to improve services and streamline processes for the future. I look forward to serving as your Executive Officer for the next two years and plan to be fully engaged in moving your profession forward for Alabama clients.

You will receive updates by list serv messaging throughout the year so please check your spam filters and add this email address to your trusted senders list. In addition, we will post notices and other communication to the AMTLB website, so stay tuned and look for active communication from your licensing board. Contact information will be made available on the current AMTLB website on June 1, 2024.

Thank you for your time and attention. Please feel free to direct any questions or concerns to <a href="mailto:MassageTherapyBoard@abn.alabama.gov">MassageTherapyBoard@abn.alabama.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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**Executive Officer** 

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