*Date*

*Mr(s). First and Last Name, M.P.P.*

*Constituency Office Address*

*City*

*Postal Code*

Dear Mr(s). *First and Last Name,* M.P.P.,

My name is *First and Last Name* and I am writing as a community member in your constituency, residing at *Address and/or Postal Code.* I am writing to express my concerns and seek your support in advocating for the protection of patients and the priority of receiving proper assessment and testing by Registered Cardiology Technologists (RCTs) in our Ontario healthcare system.

Registered Cardiology Technologists play a vital role in conducting various cardiac diagnostic tests, ensuring accurate results, and contributing to the overall quality of patient care. Given the vital nature of cardiac testing and its impact on patient health, it is imperative that these tasks are performed by individuals with the proper skills and training.

Unfortunately, Ontario does not require formal education for RCTs performing Cardiology Technology duties. There is no legal mandate for certification, training, or education to conduct cardiac tests. While certification with the Ontario Society of Cardiology Technologists (OSCT) is preferred, it is not a requirement. This lack of educational standards has led hospitals and clinics to offload RCT duties onto professionals lacking the necessary training, often overburdening Nurse Practitioners, lab technicians, and clerical staff.

This evolution of offloading RCT duties has raised concerns about potential gaps in patient safety and the quality of cardiac assessments. We must take proactive measures to address these concerns and prioritize the role of RCTs in patient care.

I appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to hearing about your efforts in supporting the role of Registered Cardiology Technologists in patient care in Ontario.

Thank you for your dedication to the well-being of our community.

Yours Sincerely,

*Signature*

*First and Last Name*

*Address and/or Postal Code (Postal Code required)*

*Phone Number (optional)*

*Email (optional)*