

April 23, 2025

The Honorable Glenn Youngkin
Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia
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Via Email: services@governor.virginia.gov

Dear Governor Youngkin:

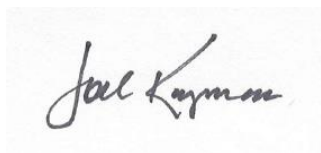
I am writing on behalf of the National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) in support of the Save Local Pharmacies Act, legislation to help control drug costs in Virginia, provide transparency for patients regarding their prescription drug benefits program, and establish oversight of the single pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) that would administer those benefits.

NCPA represents the interest of America's community pharmacists, including the owners of nearly 19,000 independent community pharmacies across the United States and approximately 274 independent community pharmacies in Virginia. These pharmacies employed nearly 3,000 residents and they filled over 16.3 million prescriptions in 2023.

The General Assembly stood strong and rejected amendments because Virginians need real, immediate action to protect patient access and keep pharmacies open – not more delays. Patients are losing care options every day. Pharmacy deserts are growing. Please stand with patients, pharmacies, and communities across Virginia.

We urge you to sign into law the Save Local Pharmacies Act. Thank you for receiving our perspective. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (703) 600-1186 or joel.kurzman@ncpa.org,

Sincerely,



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