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Dear Members of the Board of Professional Medical Conduct,

During these trying times and in this international state of emergency I would like to be able to help our communities in the most potent way possible. At this time, our medical systems are beginning to become overwhelmed with the demands necessary to test, protect and treat our people from the COVID-19 virus. People are scared and in need of medical services, and I believe we, as a nation, are just ramping up.

I've worked in inpatient and outpatient settings for years. The locum tenens agency I worked with to serve as a hospitalist has growing needs at this time. They have been unable to present me or place me as a result of the pending investigation. I have been unable to obtain medical malpractice insurance from any carrier making it difficult for me to contribute to our system in any meaningful way.

I think we both know that the allegations against me have nothing to do with my practice of medicine. In the last 9 years, I have been practicing (barring this unique incident I'm being accused of) there has never been one negative claim raised against me by an actual patient of mine. My reputation, skill as a physician, bedside manner and patient care have been impeccable, which has been attested to by many (I have enclosed 1 character reference of the many I have collected to support this statement). In addition, I have had my medical license in good working order during this investigation for the past 2 years. If it was truly believed – or there were ANY evidence what-so-ever that I was a threat to the public in some way, you would have suspended my medical license to protect the community I'm sure. I think it's more than clear and evident that I am certainly not a threat to our people, but rather as asset (especially at a time like this) and care deeply about making sure they are getting the care that so many desperately need right now.

I am skilled in performing and leading teams in high pressure and high demand situations, and caring for patients in both inpatient and outpatient settings. I'd be willing to serve in underserved-high need areas or whatever is necessary at a time like this to save lives. I'm sure if you'd be willing to write a letter placing the current investigation on a temporary hold a hospital in need would be very grateful to have my services, reduce their burden, and help those who really need it at this time. Please let me know as soon as possible if you would be willing to work with me to help our people in this way. It is as important an issue as we have ever seen.

I have enclosed my CV for reference as well.

In solidarity, Dr. Danielle Roberts