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Dr. Myron Allukian Jr.,  
President  
Massachusetts Coalition for Oral Health

RE: Letter of Support

Dear Dr. Myron Allukian, Jr.:

The American Board of Dental Public Health supports community water fluoridation (CWF) as a safe and effective public health measure to prevent tooth decay in children and adults.

CWF was named by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as one of ten great public health achievements of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Everyone in a fluoridated community may benefit regardless of age, race, ethnicity, level of education, or access to dental care.

With over 70 years of CWF in the U.S., about three out of four U.S. residents on a public water supply now have the health and economic benefits of fluoridation.

We urge all communities to maintain or implement CWF in their community for the best possible oral health for their residents.

Sincerely,

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