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Dan Logsdon, Director  
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Council of State Governments  
1776 Avenue of the States  
Lexington, KY 40511

Dear Mr. Logsdon,

Maryville University Speech-Language Pathology program supports Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact because it will increase access to care for clients, improve consumer protections across state lines and permit speech-language pathologists and audiologists to provide service to underserved or geographically isolated people through telepractice.

The Maryville University Speech-Language Pathology program's mission is to prepare outstanding speech-language pathologists who have a commitment to serve all people with communication and swallowing disorders across the life span. The Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact is consistent with our program's mission because it will increase access to care for people with communication and swallowing disorders. The compact will benefit our students and their future clients by allowing them to provide services across state lines when they become licensed speech-language pathologists.

Sincerely,

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