Dear State of Hawai'i Senate members,

I am honored to be nominated for the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea. I appreciate the opportunity to contribute to the community and improve the overall health planning in the region.

With over 20 years of experience in healthcare operations, my dedication to serving others aligns seamlessly with the mission of the Health Planning Council. I am passionate about problem-solving, improving efficiency, and strategic thinking, all of which I believe are crucial for effective health planning. With a passion for healthcare, public health, and contributing to my community, I see this nomination as an opportunity to contribute my skills and dedication to improving the health outcomes of our residents.

Drawing from my extensive background in leadership roles, including Executive Director at Lāna'i Community Health Center and various roles at Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation, I understand the need for strategic planning, transparent communication, and collaborative efforts to address healthcare challenges. I see the role as an opportunity to leverage my experience in clinic operations, workforce development, and strategic planning to contribute to the council's objectives.

My background in healthcare operations has provided me with a rich and diverse skill set. From my leadership roles at Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation and Lāna'i Community Health Center, I have honed my expertise in public health, strategic planning, and efficient operations. Beyond my professional roles, my commitment to community service has also been demonstrated through my active involvement in various volunteer capacities and service on local and state boards. I serve locally on the Lana'i Art Center board of directors and contribute to our keiki by coaching and assisting with keiki activities. I previously served on local school board committees, the Alaska federally appointed Community Health Aide Program Certification Board, volunteer EMT-1, and community Regional Wellness Forum. This hands-on involvement has allowed me to witness the intersection of policy, community engagement, and healthcare firsthand, reinforcing my dedication to evidence-based decision-making. This experience, combined with my healthcare leadership background, uniquely positions me to bring a comprehensive and community-centered perspective to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea.

During my term of service, I hope to enhance healthcare accessibility for all people of the State of Hawaii to quality health care services at reasonable cost, help to address disparities in health outcomes, and contribute to maintaining and/or development of sustainable health policies. By fostering collaboration and implementing evidence-based strategies, I aspire to leave a lasting impact on the health and well-being of our community.

Three qualities I possess that would benefit the nomination to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea:

- a. **Collaborative:** My ability to collaborate effectively will facilitate constructive partnerships among council members, ensuring a unified approach to health planning.
- b. **Analytical:** My strong analytical skills will aid in data-driven decision-making, enabling the council to address complex healthcare challenges with precision.
- c. **Adaptable:** In the face of evolving healthcare landscapes, my adaptability ensures I can navigate and contribute effectively to the council's dynamic responsibilities.

One previous experience that highlights my ability to contribute on the Health Planning Council is as follows. My tenure serving on the Community Health Aide Program Certification Board afforded me a distinctive opportunity to exercise leadership, strategic decision-making, and advisory roles with federal initiatives at the state level. In this capacity, I actively participated in the appointment and oversight of committees and subcommittees for the Community Health Aide Program. Certification board members provided analysis of certification applications for Community Health Aides & Practitioners, evaluating the adherence to established standards and ensuring the highest quality of healthcare practitioners. This board was also responsible for reviewing and rendering final decisions on training curriculum applications and modifications, emphasizing my experience to maintaining the program's educational integrity. Additionally, we routinely engaged in the examination of program data and trends, providing critical insights and strategic direction to committees and programs. This analytical approach facilitated informed decision-making and contributed to the continuous improvement of the Community Health Aide Program. This unique and multifaceted experience equips me with a nuanced understanding of governance, regulatory compliance, and the intricate dynamics of healthcare programs. I believe this background positions me to contribute valuable insights to the Health Planning Council.

I am committed to transparency and ethical conduct. I am currently working remotely/hybrid for the Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation in Bethel, AK and am required to travel to Alaska at least once a month. However, I do not currently foresee this interfering with my ability to serve on the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle subarea. In addition, my husband is the Principal of the Lana'i High and Elementary School and is an employee of the State of Hawai'i. If any conflict-of-interest situations arise, I will recuse myself from related discussions or decisions to ensure the integrity of the council's work.

Thank you for considering my nomination. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea.

Sincerely,

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