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Tulare Local Healthcare District P. O. Box 1136 Tulare, California 93275

Re: Application for Board Membership

To Whom It May Concern:

I submit this letter as a request for consideration for a Director's position on the Tulare Local Healthcare District Board for District 1.

My family and I have lived in Tulare since 1992. We moved here for a promotional employment opportunity and have never left. Tulare has been a great place to raise our children and we're fortunate that two of our three daughters have chosen to remain in the area to raise their own families.

Our youngest daughter was born here in Tulare. When the doctor delivered her, after she was cleaned up a bit, he handed her to me and told me to take her to the nursery. Between the slippery booties on my feet and not really knowing my way around the hospital...that was the longest walk of my life. However, it is also a memory I will always cherish...not many fathers have that opportunity.

One of my grandsons was also born at Tulare District. It was not an easy birth; the umbilical cord was wrapped around his neck and the attending physician went to extraordinary lengths to ensure that both my grandson and my daughter successfully made it through the delivery. I will always remain thankful for the care that was delivered in that instance.

Personal memories aside, my request for joining this board is pretty basic. Economically speaking, Tulare needs a fully functioning hospital. Period. Without our own hospital, treatment is substantially delayed during emergency situations. Industrial accidents, personal violence and traffic incidents need to be addressed promptly in order to save lives, ensure the economic well-being of our community; and the ongoing safety of Tulare residents.

Doctors, nurses and administrative staff bring their revenue to our community as well. I hope at some point that the entire team at our hospital will choose to call Tulare their home.

If appointed by the current Board of Directors, I will do my best to serve the District and our community. Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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