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Barbara Canales
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Re: Letter of Interest – NCMHID Board of Trustee reappointment

Dear Judge Canales,

I am respectfully requesting reappointment to the Board of Trustees for Nueces Center for Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities (NCMHID). I have served in various capacities with NCMHID, currently as a Member of the Operations Committee, Chair of the Nominating Committee and previously served as Board Liaison to the Planning and Network Advisory Committee (PNAC).

My understanding and involvement in the arena of disability issues is of long standing. I am a past Chair of the City's Committee for Persons with Disabilities. I am currently employed as the Executive Director for the Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living (CBCIL) whose mission is to "assist people with disabilities to achieve their goals". CBCIL is a consumer controlled, non-profit organization serving people with all types of disabilities of all ages. In my role as CBCIL Executive Director, we have contributed to the County's Emergency Planning efforts and assisted in testing Nueces County's website for accessibility. In my previous role as Director of Mobility Planning Services with the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority I served people with disabilities and transportation disadvantaged populations. Cumulatively, I have worked for over 30 years with people with disabilities in various roles. I am a graduate of the Leadership Corpus Christi Program, Class XXX and am engaged in a number of volunteer efforts in our community.

As a person with a disability, I am committed to improving the quality of life for people with disabilities in our community through inclusion and full participation. I believe our lives and our community are enriched when we engage all members of our society. I appreciate your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

Linda Fallwell Stover, Executive Director