Item Title:

Approve the one-time request to waive the 12-year lifetime maximum limitation for service on the WakeMed Board of Directors to allow a former Board member to serve one additional five-year term

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners approve the one-time request to waive the 12-year lifetime maximum limitation for service on the WakeMed Board of Directors for Christina Alvarado Shanahan so she may serve one additional five-year term and fill the WakeMed Board of Directors elected seat previously held by Henry Darnell, which would be Ms. Alvarado's third five-year term.

Item Summary:

Purpose:

Ms. Shanahan has previously served two five-year terms on the WakeMed Board of Directors with her most recent term ending in 2021, and she has a proven record that will be a valuable asset to the other WakeMed Board members as they continue to grow and learn more about the complexities of the healthcare system during their tenure. Ms. Shanahan is a registered nurse, forward thinking civic leader with strategic healthcare expertise and a strong passion for WakeMed.

Background:

The WakeMed Board of Directors consists of 14 members; 8 of whom are appointed by the Wake County Board of Commissioners and the other 6 of whom are elected by the WakeMed Board of Directors, after being nominated by all the currently serving WakeMed Board members who were NOT appointed by the Board of Commissioners.

According to Article VI of the WakeMed Board Articles of Incorporation: the 12-year lifetime maximum limitation for service on the WakeMed Board may be waived by the Wake County Board of Commissioners, and one additional five-year term may be allowed, for any of the fourteen directors upon request by a majority of the WakeMed Board of Directors for persons who have been off the Board for at least two years prior to their subsequent reappointment or election. The WakeMed Board unanimously approved this waiver request.

Strategic Plan:

This action supports Objective GG 5: Strengthen governance structures and processes that preserve ethics, accountability, and effective decision-making.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact.

Additional Information: None

Attachments:

1. WakeMed Board of Directors Waiver Request