

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 1, 2023

The Honorable Thomas E. Dernoga Chairman Prince George's County Council 1301 McCormick Drive Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20774

Dear Chair Dernoga:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration and pursuant to Section 505 of the County Charter, is a resolution extending the appointment of Dr. Oluwasanmi "Sanmi" Areola as Acting Health Officer, Prince George's Department of Health for a period of up to four calendar months from the date of this resolution. Executive Order No. 1-2023 provided for the appointment of Mr. Johnson, January 1, 2023.

Dr. Sanmi Areola currently serves as Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Health, Human Services, and Education. He comes to us having most recently served as the Director of the Johnson County Department of Health and Environment in Olathe, Kansas. In addition to serving as a public health professional, he has also taught academic classes for several years. He is a self-described public health generalist routinely championing Health in All Policies and Health Equity. Most important, he committed to the delivery of excellent health and human services to our residents and, in that vein, is poised to work constructively with our health and human services stakeholders and our educational partners.

Dr. Areola earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Obafemi Awolowu University and his Doctorate degree from Texas Southern University. He continued as a Postdoctoral Fellow at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Southern University.

Dr. Areola possesses the knowledge, skills and experience necessary for the continued efficient operation of the Department of Health. The Council's expeditious and favorable consideration of this resolution is greatly appreciated. Should you have further questions or concerns, please contact Miriam L. Brewer, Appointments Liaison, at 301 952-4136.

Sincerely,

Angela D. Alsobrooks County Executive

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