

## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

November 19, 2019

Mr. Robert R. Neall Secretary Maryland Department of Health 201 West Preston Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Dear Secretary Neall:

In accordance with Section 3-302 of the Health-General Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, it is our pleasure to submit to you and the State of Maryland the nomination and appointment of Dr. Ernest L. Carter as Health Officer for Prince George's County. The Health Officer serves a vital role in providing executive leadership for public health while administering public health programs and enforcing County and State laws and policies. Dr. Carter will also be the County spokesperson for the Maryland Department of Health.

Dr. Ernest L. Carter was selected as the most qualified candidate for the Health Officer position and has demonstrated that he is a strong leader with a record of success and effectiveness. His resume is quite impressive and extensive. Prior to his appointment as Acting Health Officer, Dr. Carter served as Deputy Health Officer for Prince George's County for seven years. He earned his Doctor of Medicine from Harvard Medical School, and his Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Carter fully meets the criteria as set forth in Health-General Article, Section 3-202 of the Annotated Code of Maryland. He brings more than 35 years of experience managing and delivering pediatric patient care, more than 25 years of experience in the field of health information technology, as well as more than seven years of experience in public health administration.

In accordance with Section 12-101.01 of the Prince George's County Code, we highly recommend that Dr. Ernest L. Carter is confirmed as Health Officer for Prince George's County. If you require additional information or have questions, please feel free to contact Dr. George L. Askew, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, at 301-952-4450.

Sincerely.

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