



*Monroe County Legislature*  
*Office of the President*

**SABRINA LAMAR**  
PRESIDENT

September 9, 2022

To The Honorable  
Monroe County Legislature  
407 County Office Building  
39 W. Main Street  
Rochester, NY 14614

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No.	<b>220307</b>
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Committee Assignment	
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**Subject: Confirmation of Appointments and Reappointment to the Monroe  
Community Hospital Advisory Board**

Honorable Legislators:

I, Sabrina LaMar, President of the Monroe County Legislature, in accordance with Section C6-17 of the Monroe County Charter and Section 545-24(A)2 of the Rules of the Monroe County Legislature, do hereby submit to your Honorable Body for your confirmation, the following appointments and reappointment to the Monroe Community Hospital Advisory Board:

University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry Representative:

- Ryan Gilmartin, Senior Program Administrator for Highland Hospital and the Division of Geriatrics in the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry - University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency (Common Ground Health) Representative:

- Melissa Wendland, Director of Strategic Initiatives - Common Ground Health (formerly Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency)

At-Large Representative:

- Michael Sullivan, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry (Ret.)

Monroe Community Hospital Residents' Council Representative:

- Linda Luft, MCH resident - MCH Residents' Council

**The specific legislative action required is to confirm the appointments and reappointment listed above to the Monroe County Community Hospital Board, each for a three year term to commence immediately and expire on September 13, 2025, pursuant to the Section C6-17 of the Monroe County Charter and Section 545-24(A)2 of the Rules of the Monroe County Legislature.**

The legislative action requested in this referral is not an "Action" as that term is defined in 6 NYCRR 617.5(b) and is not subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This action will have no impact on the revenues or expenditures of the current Monroe County budget.

Sincerely,



Sabrina LaMar  
President of the Legislature  
District 27

By Legislators \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Intro. No. \_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_ OF 2022

**CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENT TO MONROE COMMUNITY  
HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF MONROE, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section C6-17 of the Monroe County Charter and Section 545-24(A)2 of the Rules of the Monroe County Legislature, the Legislature hereby confirms the following appointments and reappointment, made by Sabrina LaMar, President of the Legislature, to the Monroe Community Hospital Advisory Board for three year terms to commence immediately and expire on September 13, 2025:

University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry Representative:

Ryan Gilmartin, Senior Program Administrator for Highland Hospital and the Division of Geriatrics in the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry - University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency (Common Ground Health) Representative:

Melissa Wendland, Director of Strategic Initiatives - Common Ground Health (formerly Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency)

At-Large Representative:

Michael Sullivan, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry (Ret.)

Monroe Community Hospital Residents' Council Representative:

Linda Luft, Monroe Community Hospital Resident - MCH Residents' Council

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Matter of Urgency

File No. 22-\_\_\_\_

ADOPTION: Date: Vote: \_\_\_\_



Monroe Community Hospital

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**MEMORANDUM**

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To: Hon. Sabrina Lamar, President of the Monroe County Legislature  
From: Kathleen Whelehan, Chair of the Monroe Community Hospital Board  
CC: Monroe County Law Department  
Date: June 21, 2022  
Re: Monroe Community Hospital Board Membership

Dear President Lamar:

The Monroe County Charter mandates that the Monroe Community Hospital Board (the "MCH Board") must include representatives of certain community institutions, including the one representative from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry and one representative from the Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency (doing business as Common Ground Health), as well as three Monroe Community Hospital ("MCH") residents nominated by the MCH Residents' Council. Pursuant to the Monroe County Charter, members of the MCH Board are to be appointed by the President of the Legislature, subject to confirmation by the Legislature.

The MCH Board has reviewed the following representative designations, and by this correspondence submits each for appointment by the President of the Legislature, subject to confirmation of the Legislature, to serve on the MCH Board for a three-year term.

- University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry Representative: Ryan Gilmartin is a Senior Program Administrator for Highland Hospital and the Division of Geriatrics in the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. Mr. Gilmartin has previously served as a nursing home administrator in both New York and Pennsylvania. The University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry has identified Mr. Gilmartin as its representative.
- Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency (Common Ground Health) Representative: Melissa Wendland is the Director of Strategic Initiatives at Common Ground Health. She has been involved in several regional initiatives for the aging, including serving on a statewide steering committee for the Master Plan on Aging, leading the Sage II and Workforce

Commissions, and partnering with the Aging Alliance of Monroe County. Common Ground Health has identified Ms. Wendland as its representative.

- MCH Residents' Council Representative: Linda Luft, resident of MCH, is a member of the MCH Residents' Council and participates in many MCH programs. The MCH Residents' Council has nominated Ms. Luft as a Residents' Council representative to the MCH Board.
- At-Large Representative: Michael Sullivan has been an active member of the MCH Board since 2017 as representative of the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. Following Mr. Sullivan's retirement from the University of Rochester, the MCH Board has identified Mr. Sullivan for reappointment to an at-large Board seat.

Additionally, Board members Kathleen Whelehan, Catherine Pollicove, Sandy Lancer, and Deborah Leary have diligently served on the Monroe Community Hospital Advisory Board for the full length of their terms and have reached their term limits and will be leaving the Board. The Board is working to identify the representatives to fill those vacancies.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathleen R. Whelehan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the "Thank you," text.