



Eileen Donoghue
City Manager

October 12, 2018

Mayor William J. Samaras
and
Members of the City Council

RE: Board of Health
Notice of Appointment

Dear Mayor Samaras and Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me as City Manager under Mass. G.L. Chapter 111, §26, as amended by Chapter 60 of the Acts of 1997, as further amended by §312 of Chapter 159 of the Acts of 2000, I have appointed Kathleen Cullen-Lutter, RN, of 15 Fox Street, Lowell, MA 01850 to the Board of Health to fill the unexpired term of Kerry Hall, which term will expire on February 4, 2019 (or such time thereafter until a successor is appointed and qualified.)

Under the above referenced statute, confirmation by the City Council is required for this appointment and is hereby requested. I have attached her cover letter and resumé for your review.

I would be happy to answer any inquiries that you may have concerning this appointment.

Very truly yours,

Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

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cc: City Clerk
Board of Health
Law Dept.
City Auditor
Human Relations Manager
MIS

Office of the City Manager
Lowell City Hall
375 Merrimack St
Lowell, Massachusetts 01852
October 5, 2018

Dear Ms. Donoghue:

I write to apply for the vacant position on the Lowell Board of Health. My interest in this position stems from a long standing service to the people of Lowell through my role as a local healthcare provider and a desire to advocate for my home town. I live in the same home purchased by my great grandparents here on Christian Hill in 1908 and am determined to see the city I love thrive.

As a nurse and now, midwife, I have witnessed the constant struggle against poverty, chronic illness, food injustice, crime, homelessness and addiction that my neighbors face. I have also admired the pride and dedication to citywide improvement our citizens demonstrate through neighborhood action groups, food justice programs, sports programs, recreation and various volunteerisms. However, despite those efforts illness, and particularly addiction, continues to dominate many of our lives. Through my participation on the Maternal Child Health Task Force and Massachusetts Perinatal Opioid Task Force, I have worked to improve outcomes for the women and families of Lowell.

It would be my great pleasure to continue such work through the Lowell Board of Health. I look forward to advocating for the general health and safety of this community and supporting communal efforts for better health. My experience in policy making through the LGH and grass roots organizations have given me the essential skills to begin this endeavor. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how I can serve the city through the Board of Health and beyond.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Cullen Lutter

Kathleen Cullen-Lutter
15 Fox Street
Lowell, MA 01850

EDUCATION:

B.S.N., UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS, Lowell, Massachusetts, 1995
GPA: 3.76/4.0
Dean's List: 1992-93, 1993-4, 1994-5

B.A., UNIVERSITY OF LOWELL, Lowell, Massachusetts, 1990
Major: History
Minor: Psychology
GPA: 3.3/4.0
Dean's List: 1988-89, 1989-90

HONORS:

Sigma Theta Tau, Eta Omega Chapter Inductee, Spring 1994
Shirley Cyronis Scholarship Recipient May 1994
Varsity Letter, Women's Division II Crew, 1990
National Honor Society Member, 1983-1985

EXPERIENCE:

CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE: WomanHealth, Chelmsford, Massachusetts.
[September, 2013 – present] Provide healthcare to low risk mothers throughout pregnancy, delivery and the puerperium. Perform as first assist in Cesarean section. Circumcision trained. Determine policy for labor unit and perinatal department via membership in hospital wide committee. Support public health through active participation in: Breast Feeding initiative; Perinatal Mood Disorder and Maternal Task Force; collaboration with MDC program and midlevel provider opioid task force at LGH.

LABOR AND DELIVERY RN: Lowell General Hospital, Lowell, Massachusetts.
[July, 2010-September, 2013] Continued to support women and families through birthing process. Performed Neonatal resuscitation as needed. Provided leadership and administrative support through role as charge RN. Served on unit based governance council. Mentored junior nurses in role pf professional RN.

CAMBRIDGE BIRTH CENTER: Cambridge Health Alliance, Cambridge, Massachusetts.
[November, 2007-July, 2010] Cared for patients through the natural birthing process. Provided comfort modalities and labor support. Floated to traditional labor/postpartum units as needed. Functioned effectively in a multicultural environment. Accurately used computer charting. Organized all aspects of discharge care. Continued to sharpen OB emergency and Neonatal resuscitation skills.

FAMILY BIRTH UNIT RN: Saints Memorial Medical Center, Lowell, Massachusetts.
[April, 2002-November, 2007] Assisted patients in all aspects of labor process. Gained skill in pain management, neo-natal assessment and resuscitation, OR circulation, post -op recovery, postpartum care etc. Educated mothers on breastfeeding, infant and self-care. Identified high risk patients and transported when necessary. Rotated to newborn nursery as needed. Triageed telephone calls regarding antepartum, intrapartum, and postpartum issues. Attended NRP, STABLE, and Fetal Monitoring classes. Participated in a breast-feeding advocacy group.

CRITICAL CARE RN: Lowell General Hospital, Lowell, Massachusetts.
[December, 1999-April, 2002] Oriented to Intermediate and Intensive Care Units. Assessed and treated clients with acute cardiopulmonary, neurological and traumatic illnesses. Gained experience with cardiac drips, Swan-Ganz/PA lines, advanced life support, ICP and telemetry monitoring, ventilators and critical thinking skills. Worked efficiently in a fast paced environment. Collaborated with physicians daily. Courses in dysrhythmia interpretation and critical care completed.

Reference Furnished Upon request