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Mayor Paxton and Assembly Members

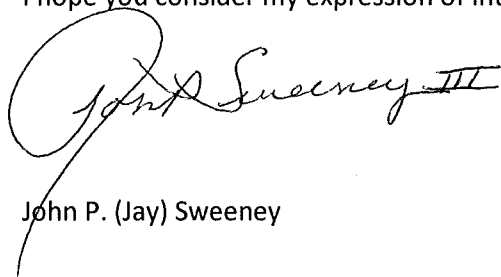
Re: Interest in Serving on Sitka Community Health Council

Mayor Paxton and Assembly Members, I would like to express my interest in being appointed an At-Large member of the Sitka Community Health Council. I have read the establishing charter for the Council and I feel that my experience in governance oversight of health care institutions, combined with experiences I have had as a consumer of specialized health care services in Sitka, qualify me for consideration.

My experience in governance oversight of health care institutions was gained through serving 6 years on the Sitka Community Hospital Board, from 1996 through 2002, with one year as Board Chairman. In addition, I served 2 years as the ex-officio City and Borough of Sitka representative on the board from 2017 through 2019. I was also a member of the City and Borough of Sitka negotiating team for the sale of Sitka Community Hospital's business to SEARHC.

I also have experience as a consumer of specialized health care services, many not available in Sitka. I understand what it is like not to have specialty medical services available in Sitka, as I have had to travel elsewhere for cardiology, dermatology, endocrinology, sleeping disorders, and oncology services. I feel I can be a strong advocate for bringing much-needed specialty medical services to Sitka, based on my personal life experiences.

I hope you consider my expression of interest favorably.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John P. Sweeney III". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

John P. (Jay) Sweeney