



**HOSPITAL AUTHORITY OF VALDOSTA AND LOWNDES COUNTY, GEORGIA**

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April 17, 2024

Mr. Bill Slaughter, Chairman  
Lowndes County Board of Commissioners  
327 North Ashley Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Valdosta, Georgia 31601

RE: Vacancy on the Board of Trustees of the Hospital Authority of Valdosta and Lowndes County, Georgia

Dear Chairman Slaughter:

The Hospital Authority of Valdosta and Lowndes County, Georgia met at the regularly scheduled monthly meeting on April 17, 2024. In accordance with the Bylaws for the Hospital Authority, the following three names are being submitted from which Lowndes County will select one person to fill the upcoming vacancy or reappointment of Shirley J. Garland's seat on the Authority which expires on June 1, 2024:

1. Ms. Shirley Garland
2. Ms. Elsie C. Napier, NP
3. Ms. Helen Baker

Upon consideration of the above three candidates, the Hospital Authority does recommend the reappointment of Ms. Shirley J. Garland. Ms. Garland was originally appointed to the board June of 2019. Ms. Garland has served the Hospital Authority well and is recommended to remain as a member of the Hospital Authority Board.

The Hospital Authority looks forward to hearing from Lowndes County as to its selection to fill the existing vacancy.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sam Allen". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Sam Allen, Chairman  
Hospital Authority of Valdosta and Lowndes County, Georgia

CC: Hospital Authority Board, Michele Madison, Mayor Matheson, Richard Hardy, Paige Dukes