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CAND Nominee Profile for Renée Purdy

To whom it may concern:

It is with great honour that I present this nominee profile to be considered for one of the Board Director positions for the CAND. As a naturopathic doctor practicing in Moncton, New Brunswick, it would be a great privilege to work alongside colleagues in the rest of the country for a three-year term.

For me, naturopathic medicine is not only an important healthcare service, but it is also an important part of the solution for sustainable healthcare in our country. I wish to be elected to the CAND Board to be able to play a bigger role in moving our profession forward. I also wish to be part of the CAND Board to help continue the promotion of our profession across the country, and as a francophone, serving a mainly francophone population, I wish to ensure the continued representation of this portion of the population and our practitioners as well.

I am a dedicated worker and team player, but I also enjoy working on my own. Through local and international organizations in which I have participated, I have had experience organizing events, coordinating groups of people, teaching and writing reports. I am active in working in my community, and I enjoy collaborating with professionals from different fields. I have experience in writing and translation, project creation and website and App development. I am also open minded and willing to learn new skills when needed.

I currently practice as a naturopathic doctor at EastND Naturopathic Centre & IV Lounge in Moncton, New Brunswick, with two colleagues. I also run the Let's Eat! program in Moncton, which is an initiative created by myself and a business colleague to promote healthy eating and community building through cooking classes in the community and in businesses.

I am a board member for the registered non-profit global health organization Natural Doctors International (NDI). I have led one global health course in Nicaragua, supervising Naturopathic Medical students from the US and Canada in the local clinic and a teaching global health course, and I plan to continue this work in the near future.

I completed my studies in Naturopathic Medicine in 2014 at the Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine, and prior to that, I completed a Bachelor of Arts with Honours at McGill University with a major in sustainable community and international development studies and studies in environmental science. In 2015, I worked with a functional medicine doctor in Cali, Colombia for a short period of time to further my medical training.

I am currently a member of the New Brunswick Association of Naturopathic Doctors.

Thank you for you time and consideration. Sincerely,

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