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Office of Governor Michael J. Dunleavy

State Capitol-3<sup>rd</sup> Floor/P. O. Box 11001

Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Governor Dunleavy,

The Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Alliance-Alaska is pleased to write a letter of support for the nomination of Wendy Monrad, APRN, CRNA to the Alaska Board of Nursing.

Ms. Monrad has extensive experience as a professional Registered Nurse and over 19 years as an APRN-Certified Nurse Anesthetist. She served in the United States Air Force for 13 years and is a member of the United States Public Health Service, currently at the rank of Captain, as well as Co-Chief of the CRNA's at the Alaska Native Medical Center. She has been active in leadership with her professional association for many years, Alaska Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AKANA) serving in multiple roles including President and she was a founding member of the APRN Alliance-Alaska. In addition, she served as the CRNA representative to the Alliance for two years and was active in developing the regulations for APRN's after the passage of SB53.

In addition to her clinical duties, Ms. Monrad has served as a Clinical Adjunct Faculty in two training programs at Texas Christian University and the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences and has been a guest lecturer in Alaska and at conferences in the lower 48. She has been awarded several citations and awards including the Presidential Unit Citation by the United States Public Health Services and Alaska's March of Dimes Advanced Practice Nurse of the Year.

In summary, Ms. Monrad offers unique and extensive experiences as a Professional registered nurse, nearly 20 years as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse-CRNA and a clinical educator. Combined with her many years of professional association work she will be a strong member of the Alaska's Board of Nursing to assure standards of practice and regulations are followed by current and new applicants.

We look forward to supporting Ms. Monrad in her role. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions. Thank you again for this opportunity to support Ms. Monrad.

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