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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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1. Describe what makes you the most qualified candidate for the office of Nominating Committee.

I have gained experiences through my many years as a nurse in the perioperative community and find enjoyment in networking with those in professional organizations. Holding various degrees, certifications, and professional organization memberships have served me well in gaining the knowledge and experience necessary to be a successful member of the Nominating Committee. I have experience leading teams in management and through elected and volunteer positions at the local, state, and national levels that have prepared me for the next level of commitment. Serving as a mentor with AORN and ACHE has provided the opportunity to share my experiences and support others. I enjoy networking and learning from others which will assist me as a potential candidate for the office of Nominating Committee; giving back to the



organization and community will allow me the ability to work with our membership to further grow and thrive.

2. How do you plan to engage with our members and stakeholders to ensure their voices are represented in our organization's decision-making processes?

Networking, membership, and engagement with members of the organization provides the opportunity to build relationships. Through this outreach, members collaborate with a leader that actively listens and helps support that their voices are heard. Being a member of the Nominating Committee and attendance at various events will allow me to engage with stakeholders and support their decisions and make their voices heard. AORN provides members the ability to get involved and advance our association through engagement. If given the opportunity to serve, I would delight in acting as a change agent for member engagement and organization decision-making to represent the perioperative nursing community and our patients.

3. What activities or interests outside of your professional life do you believe contribute to your overall well-being and your effectiveness as a leader?



I consider myself to be a lifelong learner. My education experience has led me to successfully completing a BSN, MSN, PhD, RNFA, and current enrollment in an MBA program. Also, I have a passion for giving back through volunteering at the local library, AORN local chapter, ACHE, and other organizations. I have been successful in my career through the personal support and mentorship of others. The act of mentoring is an important attribute. I have a desire to pass on my knowledge and experience as it has been provided to me. I find great enjoyment in spending time with family. Being a part of my grandson's life and sharing in his learning and growth is a blessing. Being a nurse, mother, grandmother, wife, colleague, and educator are just a few of the many roles that have equipped me to be an effective leader and helped contribute to my overall well-being.