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Dear Doctor Winter

The Haemophilia Society have put forward your name for consideration for appointment by the Secretary of State as a trustee of the Macfarlane Trust. I am writing to ask if you are willing to serve in this way.

As you know, the Macfarlane Trust is a special trust established in 1988, with government funding, to help meet the needs of haemophiliacs infected with HIV, and of their dependents. There are 10 trustees in all, 6 appointed by the Haemophilia Society and 4 by the Secretary of State. The trust deeds specify that one of the Secretary of State's appointees should be the director of a Haemophilia Centre. The Haemophilia Society have put forward your name in that connection, as a possible replacement for Dr Elizabeth Mayne whose term of service as a trustee is coming to an end in March.

The appointment would be for 2 years. The trust deeds allow for the possibility of reappointment, but it is also accepted practice to rotate the position between different haemophilia centre directors regularly.

Dr Mayne has served also a trustee of the Eileen Trust which does similar work to the Macfarlane Trust, but in respect of those infected with HIV through NHS blood or tissue transfer. It would be helpful if you could agree to continue that pattern and serve as a trustee also for Eileen Trust, given the similarities between the work of the two trusts.

I would be grateful if you would confirm that you are content to let your name go forward for nomination, in respect of both the Macfarlane and the Eileen Trusts, before the nomination is submitted for consideration by the Secretary of State.

Yours sincerely

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