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### NEW JERSEY MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH INNOVATION AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

#### Minutes of the Meeting September 25, 2024

Minutes of the meeting of the New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Authority (“MIHIA”) held virtually on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 10:00 AM Eastern Standard Time.

#### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN ATTENDANCE

Shakira Abdul-Ali – Public Member  
Sarah Adelman – Governor Representative  
Dr. Philip Bonaparte – Public Member  
Barbara George Johnson - Public Member  
Dr. Tamika Quick (Designee for Dr. Brian Bridges) – Governor Representative  
Holly Low – Governor Representative  
Andrea Martinez-Mejia - Public Member  
Maritza Raimundi-Petroski – Public Member  
Dr. Damali Campbell-Oparaji – Public Member  
Kaitlan Baston – Governor Representative  
Katherine Stoehr- Governor Representative  
Tim Sullivan - Governor Representative  
Trish Wallace (Designee for Justin Zimmerman) - Governor Representative

#### ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES

Lisa Asare, President & CEO, New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Authority.  
Roza Dabaghyan, Deputy Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Law.  
Laura Wilton, Office of the Governor, Authorities Unit.  
Catherine Terrero, New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Authority.

Dr. Brian Bridges joined after the roll call.

Vice Chair Kaitlan Baston presided over the meeting, with Catherine Terrero keeping the minutes.

President & CEO Asare called the meeting to order and announced that MIHIA was in compliance with the provisions of Open Public Meetings Act and the adequate notice of the meeting had been provided in the manner prescribed by law.

President & CEO Asare took roll call and welcomed representatives from the First Lady's Office, Governor's Authorities Unit, Attorney General's Office, and Treasury.

### **Chair update**

Vice Chair Kaitlan Baston addressed the Board and provided a brief update regarding the Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Center (MIHIC) to be built in the city of Trenton. She advised that MIHIA has been working with the architectural firm to obtain community feedback regarding the center's design.

Vice Chair Baston also discussed MIHIA Board committees and spoke of a forthcoming survey soliciting committee interests. She also announced that she and MIHIA's President & CEO, participated in the Maternity Action Plan conference held by the New Jersey Health Care Quality Institute on September 20, 2024.

### **President & CEO Statement**

President & CEO Asare addressed the Board providing an update regarding the MIHIC and advised that the architectural team had an opportunity to hear from the community of Trenton through two community engagement sessions hosted by the Watson Institute at Kean University.

President & CEO Asare also advised that MIHIA is still working with a communications firm to development MIHIA's branding and messaging.

Next, President & CEO Asare introduced the three anchor tenants of the MIHIC: the Trenton Health Team, Capital Health System, and Rutgers School of Nursing overseeing an academic consortium. The tree anchor tenants took turns presenting their vision to the Board and provided information on the services to be provided at the MIHIC.

### **Matters Requiring Board Action**

#### **a. Approval of Previous Month's Minutes**

Vice Chair Baston requested a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 28, 2024. Public Member Maritza Raimundi-Petroski made the motion and Public Member Andrea Martinez-Mejia seconded. All members voted in favor. The motion carried.

### **Other Business**

No new business was presented.

### **Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.

## **Executive Session**

There was no Executive Session.

## **Adjournment**

Vice Chair Kaitlan Baston requested a motion to adjourn. Public Member Shakira Abdul-Ali made the motion. Public Member Dr. Philip Bonaparte seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

I hereby certify this to be a true and original copy of the September 25, 2024, New Jersey Maternal and Infant Health Innovation Authority Board meeting minutes.

*Lisa Asare*

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Lisa Asare,  
President and CEO.