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**SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

Please accept this letter, as I am expressing my intent to run for a position on the Board of Directors for the Clydesdale Breeders of the USA. My husband Don, and I have been active members of the Clydesdale community for the past 20 years. During that time, we have successfully bred, showed and raised Clydesdales, as well as, Suffolk Sheep. We have one son named Kameron, whose love for the Clydesdale breed is far beyond “just for fun”. We have been successful at exhibiting and producing “Five Star” quality Clydesdales who have been sold across the US and Canada. We have had the same success with the Suffolks. I feel I have a connection and a dedication to the draft horse world as I previously owned Five Star Horse Decorations for 12 years. I am grateful for all my customers and thank them for all their support over the years. We are able to have more time and show our Clydesdales now.

In recent years, I have been the secretary/treasurer of the IL Suffolk Breeders Association. Maintaining and communicating with the Board of the Directors and the membership. Managing and facilitating the IL Suffolk Preview Show each June for Suffolk breeders of IL and surrounding states successfully.

I currently am employed by Kendall Road Equine Hospital in Elgin, IL and consider it my “dream job”. Our practice is solely devoted to equine and we support routine treatment for all breeds of horses as well as surgical procedures which include orthopedic, castrations, and emergencies. My duties include phone support, daily scheduling, billing, maintaining efficiency and effective communication with employees and clients. I help to organize and develop processes and procedures to ensure daily tasks are smoother and more efficient for everyone. I have been a dedicated employee in various positions with 30+ years of experience ensuring top quality service for everyone and I feel I have experience in leadership to be successful as a Board of Director.

I am currently involved in the Pedigree/Prefix committee, the Youth committee, and Membership committee for the Clydesdale Breeders of the USA. Those committees have been important to me as they are instrumental in keeping the Clydesdale breed growing. Its exciting to me to see how many kids are up and coming and are ready to begin their passion for Clydesdales. The Youth Program is still in its early stages but with a few adjustments I think it could be a great program for our youth to grow and develop with Clydesdales. They are our future! I enjoy very much visiting with “old Clyde friends” and meeting new ones - sharing my experiences with them, keeping the tradition of the Clydesdale breed going.

As a board member it will be important for me to be committed and assist to each and every person. To gain the trust and respect of everyone, to be accountable for decisions made and prove that each decision is in the best interest of the Clydesdale breed. To have integrity and most important to represent the breed and its members so we all have something to be proud of in all diversities of the breed. I will do my best to ensure the 2025 World Clydesdale Show in Springfield, IL is a great success for the Association. Thank you for your consideration!