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Dear Elections Board,

I would like to be considered as a candidate for the American Culinary Federation National Ethics Committee. I have been a member of the ACF since 1999. I believe that integrity, professionalism, and accountability are essential to the culinary profession and should be valued. Throughout my professional career and personal life, I have upheld these values and standards while mentoring others, promoting fairness, and supporting ethical standards. Positive leadership roles will help guide and build relationships within the ACF. Serving on this committee would allow me to contribute my experience, leadership, and commitment to strengthening the ACF's mission and fostering trust and respect among culinary professionals nationwide.

Sincerely,

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Gloria M. Cabral graduated from Fairhaven High School in 1978 and has been married to her husband, John, for more than 46 years. After many years as a stay-at-home mother, she pursued creative interests in candy making, painting, and quilting, later teaching classes in those disciplines to help support her family.

At age 37, Gloria returned to school at Bristol Community College, earning a Certificate in Culinary Arts in 1999. She continued her education at Johnson & Wales University, where she earned both an Associate of Applied Science Degree and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Baking and Pastry Arts. During this time, she also completed a Certificate in Computer Information Systems and an Associate Degree in General Studies at Bristol Community College. While attending school, she worked for Le Méridien Boston and Catering Collaborative in Providence, Rhode Island.

Gloria later returned to Bristol Community College to design the school's two-year Associate in Applied Science Degree Baking and Pastry program. She led numerous curriculum renovations and improvements and founded the BCC SkillsUSA Cake Competition, now entering its 12th year. She furthered her education by earning a Master's Degree in Education from Cambridge College and a Master's Degree in Science of Management from Eastern Nazarene College, achievements that earned her the rank of Professor at Bristol Community College. She also served for five years as an adjunct instructor at Johnson & Wales University.

In addition to teaching, Gloria has devoted extensive time to community service through organizations including SkillsUSA, the American Culinary Federation Rhode Island Chapter, St. Vincent's Home, Adopt-A-Ship, and the Bristol County Commission on the Status of Women, where she completed a five-year term as co-commissioner advocating for women in Bristol County. She also served as Interim Culinary Director for Florida Educational Institute in Miami, helping design curriculum and oversee construction of a four-lab culinary and

baking facility. She is also an ambassador for Fabbri International Dessert Company.

From 2018 to 2022, Gloria served as Program Coordinator and Department Chair of the Bristol Community College Culinary Arts Department, where she created a new Culinary Arts Certificate of Achievement Program. She later developed a culinary program at RLM Resiliency Preparatory Academy in Fall River, transforming an empty classroom into a thriving culinary learning space for alternative education students, with plans to expand into home economics and basic sewing instruction.

Gloria remains active in the culinary profession through leadership roles within the American Culinary Federation. Roles she has served (and still serves in) in as president, committee chairperson, and Culinary Evaluator. She holds certifications as a Certified Culinary Educator and Working Pastry Chef and was inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Chefs in 2017.