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*D. Kent Sharples*

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Dr. Eric Smith, Commissioner  
Florida Department of Education  
325 W. Gaines Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Eric:

It is with great pride that I write this letter of support for one of Daytona State College's finest administrative/faculty members for your consideration as an appointee to the Florida Center for Nursing.

Dr. Linda D. Miles, has served as the Dean of the college of Health, Human and Public Services at Daytona State College since 2007. For the previous 7 years she was the chair of the Nursing Department. She has an excellent track record in teaching and overseeing nursing programs at the College since 1999. Prior to her service at Daytona State she was a staff nurse for Bethesda Naval Hospital and a staff nurse at Fish Hospital in DeLand, FL. In addition to her instructional and oversight duties, Dr. Miles has served on numerous college planning and curriculum committees over the years.

She has been appointed/elected to national office in several nursing organizations. She has served as president and as legislative director of the National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing. She has participated in evaluation and accrediting activities with the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission. She recently served as the Chair of the Florida Council of Nurse Education Administrators.

Daytona State College annually recognizes one outstanding employee in each category and I am proud to announce that Dr. Miles was recognized as the Outstanding Administrator for 2009.

Dr. Miles is actively affiliated with the American Medical Informatics Association, the Capital Area Round Table on Nursing Informatics, the Florida Nurses Association and the National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing.

Please accept this letter of support for Dr. Miles' appointment to the Florida Center for Nursing. She is well known among her colleagues in the state and will provide the Center with great experience, knowledge, and leadership. Thank you as always for your consideration.

Sincerely,

D. Kent Sharples  
President

cc: Governor Charlie Crist  
Chancellor Will Holcombe

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