## President's Message...

## Welcome to PNAM & Keep the Fire ABLAZE

Welcome and warm greetings to all PNAM members, officers, colleagues, families, and friends. Let me have this opportunity to thank all members of the Executive Board for their unrelenting contributions in enhancing professional growth, and promoting significant outcomes to healthcare and wellbeing of the community.

As President for the year 2022-2024, it is my ardent hope that we keep the fire ABLAZE in accordance with the PNAM mission statement and I quote, "As a professional organization, PNAM will uphold the positive image and welfare of its constituent members, promote professional excellence and contribute to significant outcomes to healthcare and society." My mantra is Keep the fire ABLAZE – Altogether, Bless, Love, Advocacy, Zeal of Excellence, in alignment with the PNAA President's theme: We Care: Wisdom, Excellence, Collaboration, Advocacy, Respect, and Equity.

We are already on fire with our unwavering faith, our innovation, resilience and we are highly motivated to continue our programs and excellence in service with mutual respect and understanding of each other's culture.

With unexpected challenges from COVID to hurricanes in the US and typhoons' fury with flooding in the Philippines, the PNAM as a Team has adapted and displayed courage and strength to continuously provide service to the community as well as respond to the needs of our fellow nurses particularly the newly arrived ones.

The year 2022 was a busy and a productive one with our highly successful Golden Anniversary Celebration on October 8, 2022, COVID -19 vaccinations – CDCF Grant Part II, Latent TB Infection grant from Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organization (AAPCHO), educational conferences, 5K, 2K Run and Walk for Healthy People Healthy Warren and many others.

These are unprecedented times, hence, make this a leverage to continue making a difference by transforming our pre-existing crisis in healthcare to a productive activity benefiting everyone. PNAM is expecting the arrival of Filipino nurses from the Philippines by Spring 2023, and they need our support and guidance as they adjust to a new country. The Education Committee is busy getting ready for our Spring Educational Conference on April 29, 2023.

As we enter 2023, secure with the knowledge that PNAM is in good hands, it is with enthusiasm and commitment of the Executive Board that we remain committed to fulfill our mission and vision of the future. With this, together, we aim for a Culture of Excellence through unity and teamwork. I invite all nurses to be a PNAM member where there are ample opportunities for professional growth. Explore your potential and grow with us.

With God's blessings, it is my hope and dream to keep the Fire of Excellence ABLAZE!

Thank you all for your support. Working together, we are empowered to achieve more!

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