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Letter of Nomination

November 19, 2013

The Honorable City Council
One City Hall Plaza, Second Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear President Kernighan and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter section 601, the Mayor, hereby appoints the following person as a member of the following Board or Commission, subject to the City Council's confirmation:

COMMISSION ON AGING

Irene Yen, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning September 3, 2013 and ending September 2, 2016, filling the seat previously held by Wade Sherwood.

Ned Saturu, Mayoral reappointment to serve a second term beginning September 2, 2013 and ending September 1, 2016.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jean Quan
Mayor

June 17, 2013

To whom it may concern:

My name is Irene Yen. I am writing to express my interest to serve on the City of Oakland's Mayor's Commission on Aging.

I am a professor in the Departments of Medicine and Epidemiology & Biostatistics at the University of California, San Francisco. I study social factors and health, with a particular interest in how place affects health and ethnic minority health. I have had National Institute of Aging career development grant support to study how neighborhood environments affect health and wellness of older adults. I have recently been an Atlantic Philanthropies Health and Aging Policy Fellow.

I would like to serve on the Mayor's Commission on Aging to work on continuing to promote programs and design strategies in Oakland to support an aging population.

Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Irene Yen

Name: Irene H. Yen, MPH, PhD
Position: Associate Professor
 Medicine
 School of Medicine

EDUCATION

1981 - 1985	Stanford University, Stanford, CA	AB (with distinction)	Political Science
1981 - 1985	Stanford University, Stanford, CA	BS	Medical Microbiology
1988 - 1990	University of California, Berkeley, CA	MPH	Epidemiology & Biostatistics
1993 - 1997	University of California, Berkeley, CA	PhD	Epidemiology
1997 - 1999	University of California, Berkeley, CA	Postdoctoral Fellow	Epidemiology

PRINCIPAL POSITIONS HELD

1990 – 1993	Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta	Epidemiologist	
1999 – 2002	University of California, San Francisco	Specialist	Nursing
2002 – 2006	University of California, San Francisco	Specialist	Medicine
2006 – 2011	University of California, San Francisco	Assistant Professor	Medicine
2011 - present	University of California, San Francisco	Associate Professor	Medicine

OTHER POSITIONS HELD CONCURRENTLY

2002 – 2003	San Francisco Department of Public Health	Epidemiologist II	
2010 – 2012	Health and Aging Policy Fellowship	fellow	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention Healthy Aging Network
2013-present	Alameda Health System	Research Director	Medicine

HONORS AND AWARDS

1985	Phi Beta Kappa
1985	Stanford University Public Service Fellowship recipient
1988	University of California Chinese Alumni Association Fellowship recipient
1988	University of California Regents Fellowship recipient

- 1995 UC Berkeley School of Public Health Alumni Foundation Scholarship recipient
- 1994 UC Berkeley School of Public Health Dowdle Fellowship recipient
- 1996 Society for Epidemiologic Research Student Methods Workshop participant
- 1997 Warren Winkelstein Award for Excellence in Epidemiology Research
- 2000 Secretary of Health and Human Services Secretary's Award for Distinguished Service, as a member of the China-US Collaborative Project for Neural Tube Defect Prevention.
- 2006 California Breast Cancer Research Program Faith Fancher Research Award

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Memberships

- 1997 - 2007 American Public Health Association
- 1996 - present Society for Epidemiologic Research

Service to Professional Organizations

- 2005 - present National Research Advisory Committee, Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations Member
- 2005 - 2010 Evaluation Board for Public Health and Epidemiology Faculty, Faculty of 1000 Medicine Member

SERVICE TO PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

- 1999 - 2011 ad hoc referee for American Journal of Public Health (4 papers), Journal of the American Medical Association (1 paper), American Journal of Preventive Medicine (5 papers), Health and Place (2 papers), Social Science and Medicine (4 papers), International Journal of Health Geographies (1 paper), American Journal of Epidemiology (2 papers), Women & Health (1 paper), Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health (1 paper), Journal of Urban Health (1 paper)
- 2000 - 2000 book reviewer, Epidemiology Monitor

GOVERNMENT AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2006 - 2008 Member, Advisory Board, Federal Reserve System - Brookings Institution Concentrated Poverty Initiative
- 2007 - 2008 Technical Advisor, Mission Community Financial Assistance, Youth Trainers for Economic Power (a peer-to-peer education and advocacy program)

PUBLIC SERVICE

- 1995 - 2001 The Hesperian Foundation board of directors member
- 1998 - 2002 The Julia Morgan School for Girls board of directors founding member

- 2000 - 2003 Society for Values in Higher Education the board of directors elected member
- 2004 - 2006 City Visions, public affairs radio program that airs on KALW, a San Francisco NPR affiliate volunteer producer
- 2006 - 2010 Grants committee, Peralta Parent Teacher Group, Peralta Elementary School member

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7. Yen IH, Kaplan GA. Neighborhood social environment and 11-year risk of death: multilevel evidence from the Alameda County Study. *American Journal of Epidemiology* 1999; 149: 898-907.
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12. Leung MW, Yen IH, Minkler M. Community based participatory research: a promising approach for increasing epidemiology's relevance in the 21st century. *International Journal of Epidemiology* 2004; 33(3): 499-506.
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15. Gordon DR, Ames GM, Yen IH, Gillen M, Aust B, Rugulies R, Frank JW, Blanc P. Integrating qualitative research into occupational health: A case study among hospital workers. *J Occ Env Med* 2005; 47:399-409.
16. Blanc PD, Eisner MD, Katz PP, Yen IH, Archea C, Earnest G, Janson S, Masharani UB, Quinlan PD, Hammond SK, Thorne PS, Balmes JR, Trupin L, Yelin EH. Impact of the home environment on adult asthma and rhinitis. *J Occ Env Med* 2005; 47: 362-372.
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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF IRENE YEN AND REAPPOINTMENT OF NED SATURU AS MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON AGING

WHEREAS, Section 601 of the City Charter provides that members of City boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No 9921 C.M.S. adopted May 13, 1980 and amended in 1985, 1989 and 1995 establishes the Commission on Aging to advocate for the elderly and serve as an Advisory Board to the Department on Aging; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Aging consists of eleven (11) members serving not more than two consecutive three year terms; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Jean Quan has appointed Irene Yen and reappointed Ned Saturu to serve a three year term subject to confirmation by the City Council; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of:

Irene Yen to the Commission on Aging for a three-year term beginning September 3, 2013 and ending September 2, 2016, filling the seat previously held by Wade Shenwood.

Ned Saturu to the Commission on Aging for a three-year term beginning September 2, 2013 and ending September 1, 2016, filling the seat previously held by himself.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF AND
PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES –

ABSTENTIONS-

ABSENT-

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS

City Clerk and Clerk of the Oakland City Council