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Letter of Nomination

September 19, 2006

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

Dear Councilmembers:

Upon nomination of the Mayor, the following persons are hereby appointed as members of the following Board or Commission:

Cultural Affairs Commission

Velfrances Young-Dillard, Mayoral appointment serving the term beginning 5/7/2006 and ending 5/7/2009, filling the seat formerly held by Hyland Baron.

Uday Joshi, Mayoral appointment to serve for the term beginning 5/7/2006 and ending 5/7/2009, filling the seat formerly held by Suki O'Kane.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

JERRY BROWN
Mayor

A large, stylized handwritten signature of Jerry Brown, written in black ink, extending across the bottom of the page.

VELFRANCES YOUNG-DILLARD

- Profile**
- * *Entrepreneur and business owner for 30 years.*
 - * *Strong background in film, television and theatre directing and production, screen and play writing.*
 - * *Dedicated to build strong communities using the arts and my talents.*
 - * *Experience in grant writing, fund raising, and program development.*
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- Education**
- Master of Fine Arts – 1984*
UCLA, Los Angeles, Calif.
- * *Double major in film directing and screen writing*
 - * *Minor in animation*
- Bachelor of Fine Arts – 1974*
Howard University, Washington, D.C.
- * *Major in Television and Film direction and production*
 - * *Minor in screen writing*
- United States Air Force 1968-72*
University of Maryland, Korot, Thailand
- * *Communications*
 - * *Drug counseling*
- Additional education in unrelated fields available upon request.*
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- Experience**
- * *Founded Zohar Productions 1997-Present*
Produce and direct 1-3 productions annually
 - * *Drama Director for Shiloh 1986-1995*
 - * *Director and trainer for start-up of Oakland's community channel*
KTOP
 - * *Founder of Reel Impressions Productions 1979-1983*
Local industrial video productions and clientele
 - * *Video tape editor for KTVU, Oakland*
 - * *Video tape editor for KRON T.V., San Francisco*
 - * *Assistant Director for NBC T.V., Washington D.C.*
 - * *Camera woman for PBS – T.V. Washington. D.C.*
- Additional earlier experience available upon request*
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- Affiliations**
- Director's Guild, NABET television union, Screenwriter's Guild.*
Other affiliations in unrelated fields are available upon request
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UDAY SHARAD JOSHI

EDUCATION

1994 Cornell University Ithaca, NY
Bachelor of Science, College of Human Ecology
■ Human Development, Dean's List

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2005-present Oakland School for the Arts Oakland, CA
Director of Admissions

- Directed all new student recruitment/screening for a performing arts charter school serving grades 6 -12.
- Served as key school representative and liaison with all community education and arts organizations.
- Prepared all marketing materials and established a marketing structure and design for recruitment.
- Served as department head for Arts Management emphasis, directing students in all production related activities including production management, stage management, sales and marketing.
- Artistically directed all literary arts performance pieces, including open mics, and staged readings.

2000-2004 New WORLD Theater, University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA

Director of Youth Programs/Project 2050 Director

- Produced, developed and directed a multi-year performance arts and socio-political education project with 45 high school youth representing eight school systems in Western Massachusetts.
- Directed annual 14 day summer retreat with 45 youth, 16 college-aged counselors, and 40 professional adult artists, scholars and activists, culminating in a full-length multi-media theatrical presentation.
- Directly engaged high schools, campus and community organizations dedicated to youth, activism and underrepresented communities through education performances, conferences, lectures, open mic and community arts events.
- Founded and directed a Massachusetts wide youth arts and activism coalition, "*A Call to Action*."

1998-1999 Lesley College Cambridge, MA

Institute Coordinator, Center for Peaceable Schools

- Developed and coordinated a weeklong summer institute "Creating Peaceable School Communities," for over 200 national educators and administrators in conjunction with Howard Zinn and faculty of Lesley College and the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

1996-1997 People for the American Way San Francisco, CA

Assistant Director, STAR Project (Students Talk About Race)

- Directed and developed the training of over 200 college undergraduates in facilitation skills in order to enter their local high schools and facilitate a ten week curriculum focusing on racism, oppression, and community empowerment.
- Authored weekly and annual progress and statistical reports to national coordinator and major funders.

1995-1996 National Institute of Health Washington, DC

Research Assistant

- Abstracted, enrolled, and clinically interviewed youth and adult subjects in child abuse and injury protocol in five emergency rooms throughout the metropolitan Washington, DC area.
- Created and developed a case tracking program for entire protocol to monitor daily and weekly progress on individual cases, preparing weekly statistical reports for principal investigators.

1994-1995 Residential Youth Services

Alexandria, VA

Counselor/Case Manager

- Created and developed new emergency treatment center for abused and neglected 5-12 year old children of the greater DC metropolitan area, providing comprehensive milieu counseling and behavior modification for resident population.
- Initiated and coordinated agency wide multicultural training in-services.

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING VELFRANCES YOUNG-DILLARD AND UDAY JOSHI AS MEMBERS OF THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 11323 C.M.S. creates the Cultural Affairs Commission, whose members are nominated by the Mayor and approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 11778 C.M.S. specifies that members of the Cultural Affairs Commission are to serve three year terms, which are to be staggered so that some appointments will expire every year, and appointments to fill a term of office are only to be for the remainder of that term; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that by the nomination of the Mayor, the following individuals are hereby appointed to the terms set forth below:

Diana Tran, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning May 7, 2006 and ending May 7, 2009 filling a position formerly held by Hyland Baron.

Uday Joshi, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning May 7, 2006 and ending May 7, 2009 filling a position formerly held by Suki O’Kane.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BRUNNER, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, BROOKS, REID, CHANG,
AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California