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Letter of Nomination

July 19, 2005

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

Dear Councilmembers:

Upon nomination of the Mayor, the following person is hereby appointed as a member of the following Board or Commission:

Library Advisory Commission

Mohammed Alabi, Emeryville Representative to serve the unexpired term beginning November 12, 2002 and ending November 13, 2005, filling the position previously held by Lottie Rose.

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

Sincerely,

JERRY BROWN
Mayor

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jerry Brown', written over the printed name.



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MAYOR'S OFFICE

June 13, 2005

Mayor Jerry Brown
City of Oakland
One Frank Ogawa Plaza, 3rd Floor
Oakland, California 94612

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO OAKLAND LIBRARY COMMISSION

Dear Mayor Brown:

The City of Emeryville requests that Mr. Mohammed Alabi be appointed as Emeryville's representative on the Oakland Library Commission. At the April 5, 2005 City Council meeting, the Emeryville City Council unanimously voted to recommend Mr. Alabi for appointment as the City of Emeryville's representative to the Oakland Library Commission

A copy of the April 5, 2005 Emeryville City Council minutes regarding said Council action and his application/resume is attached.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

John Flores
City Manager

Cc: Mayor and Council
Tracey Scott, Chair, Oakland Library Commission
Carmen Martinez, Director, Oakland Public Library

Muhammad M. Alabi

1. **Education and Work Experience**

B.S. Business Administration
San Francisco State University 1984

M.A. Applied Economics
San Francisco State University 1991

For the past two years I have been a Principal at Jeanpierre & Co. CPAs where I supervise a group of ten auditors and two Management Consultants. I still operate my own company, Alabi & Associates, CPAs and Economists from my loft in Emeryville. My prior experience include five years as a senior accountant at Bank of America's international accounting department in San Francisco; two years as an auditor with Peat Marwick now KPMG in Oakland.

Affiliations: American Economic Association
American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Muhammad M. Alabi

2 Summary of Past Involvement with Emeryville

Since moving into Emeryville in late 2000, I have been a loyal citizen of the city. I have attended many of the Police and community sponsored events and participated in all the local elections with my wife. I have paid my business taxes to the city since moving to Emeryville and in addition, I was a math and science tutor at Golden Gate Library for two and half years.

Muhammad M Alabi

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Interest in the Library Committee

According to Eric Hoffer, a self-taught American philosopher (1902-1983), the central task of education is "...to implant a will and facility for learning; it should produce not learned but learning people. The truly human society, he went on, "is a learning society, where grandparents, parents and children are students together."

I subscribe to this philosophy, and it has been a guiding light for me for over two decades. I moved to Emeryville in late 2000, and in the summer of 2001 a couple of my friends offered to tutor math at the Golden Gate Library; they thought I'd be a good addition to their "team", and they asked me to join them. Don Waters, who coordinated the Teen Homework Assistance Program (THAP), suggested that we join as tutors twice a week.

For two and half years, I was a math and science tutor at the Golden Gate Branch, as well as the program's newsletter editor. The experience gained at tutoring teenagers of different backgrounds has opened my eyes to some of the needs of our libraries.

As a resident of Emeryville, and a board member of the Friends of Golden Gate Library, I believe that the education of our population both young and old is important for sustaining the economic growth seen in our community, and I believe the library is an important part of that process. If appointed to the Oakland Library Commission, I hope to work with other members in pursuing a policy dedicated to learning through the use of our library system.

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MOHAMMED ALABI AS A MEMBER
OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 8064 C.M.S. creates the Library Advisory Commission, whose members are nominated by the Mayor and approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 11730 C.M.S. specifies that members of the Library Advisory 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 individual is hereby appointed to the term set forth below:

Mohammed Alabi, to serve the term beginning November 12, 2002 and ending November 13, 2005, filling the position previously held by Lottie Rose.

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