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Office of the Mayor
Honorable Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

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Letter of Nomination

February 16, 2010

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

Dear President Brunner and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter section 601, the Mayor has appointed/reappointed the following persons as members of the following Board or Commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

Library Advisory Commission

Peggy Simmons, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning November 13, 2009 and ending November 12, 2012 filling the seat previously held by Arthur Noble.

This is a correction to the public records of the appointment made at January 5, 2010 City Council meeting. Ms. Simmons will now fill the seat of Mr. Noble instead of Ms. Sue Yascolt. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,


Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

Margaret (Peggy) Simmons

Objective

To represent the Oakland community on the Library Advisory Commission

Employment

City of Oakland - Oakland Public Library
Oakland, CA

Permanent Part-time Library Assistant
May 2009 - current

Supporting the Senior Library Assistant in operations of the Tool Lending Library, including cataloging, supervising, patron service, and tool acquisition, maintenance, and repair.

Green Windows: Writing Groups
Oakland, CA

Founding Director, Group Facilitator
February 2008 - current

Responsible for all aspects of a fiscally-sponsored nonprofit project offering creative writing workshops to disadvantaged youth, their peers and their communities. Responsibilities include: facilitating groups of 4 to 20 writers of different skill levels, fundraising, organizational and program planning, and outreach to participants, funders, donors, partners and colleagues.

Follett Higher Education Group
Oakland, CA

Textbook Manager
February 2003 - August 2007

Managed the Textbook Department for Laney College Bookstore with \$2 million in annual sales, 87% of which was textbook sales. Textbook adoptions received from faculty by the due date increased from 8% to 70%, used to new text ratio increased from 20% to 45%.

Juma Ventures
San Francisco, CA

Partnership Operations Manager
August 2002 - January 2003

Managed operations of an ice cream shop including staff of 5-10 at-risk youth.

The English Institute
Nancy, France

English as a Foreign Language Teacher
February 2001 - March 2002

Taught English as a Foreign Language to individuals and groups, adults and youth, at all levels. Designed own curriculum.

International Fourth World Movement
Paris, France

Regional Project Director (final position)
September 1992 - January 2000

Directed a pilot project with 100 youth from very different backgrounds and neighborhoods in the Paris Area, creating local projects to combat poverty. Promoted from International Youth Center Senior Program Manager, running an innovative internet action project. Previous positions in the United Kingdom and United States leading cultural projects with at-risk youth and children and their families.

Volunteer Experience

The Beat Within
San Leandro, CA

Facilitating writing in Alameda County Juvenile Justice Center: September 2008 - current

Oakland Adult Literacy Task Force
Oakland, CA

City council task force to network adult literacy projects
October 2007 - current

826 Valencia
San Francisco, CA

Writing projects with students 14-18 years old
Workshop facilitator: May 2008
In-school volunteer: September 2007 - May 2008

Streetside Stories
San Francisco, CA

Story-writing with middle school students
Fundraising Intern: September - December 2007
Program support: March 2003 - April 2004

- Volunteer of the Month April 2003

Project Read
San Francisco, CA

Adult literacy tutoring
November 2003 - June 2004

Hackney Youth Center
London, England

Youth development in a poor neighborhood
February 1995 - June 1995

Education

Hampshire College

Amherst, MA

1988-1989

United World College of Southeast Asia

Singapore

1986-1988

- Student newspaper editor

Greymouth High School

New Zealand

1985

- AFS Exchange Student

Certifications

Amherst Writers and Artists Writing Group Leader

Languages

English: First language, excellent writing and speaking skills

French: Fluent verbal, competent written.

Interests

Writing: Fiction, and poetry. Work has appeared in several journals under the pen name Meg Claudel, including *flashquake* where nominated for a Pushcart Prize.

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2010 FEB -4 PM 6:00

CITY ATTORNEY

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING PEGGY SIMMONS AS A MEMBER OF
THE LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION**

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 8064CMS creates the Library Advisory Commission whose members are nominated by the Mayor and approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No 11730 CMS 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

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Ronald V. Dellums has appointed Peggy Simmons to serve a three year term on the Library Advisory Commission, 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 Peggy Simmons to the Library Advisory Commission, for a three year term beginning November 13, 2009 and ending November 12, 2012 filling the seat previously held by Arthur Noble

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENSION -

ATTEST:

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