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Honorable Ronald V. Dellums
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Letter of Nomination

July 3, 2007

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

Dear Council Members:

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

Commission on Persons with Disabilities

Eva Aguillard, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning September 3, 2006 and ending September 2, 2009.

Petrina Alexander, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning September 3, 2006 and ending September 2, 2009.

Kelvin Brand, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning September 3, 2006 and ending September 2, 2009.

Chris Finn, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning September 3, 2006 and ending September 2, 2009.

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Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald V. Dellums". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent flourish at the end.

Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

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Eva M. Aguillard

Objective

Serve as Commissioner for the Disabled Community in Alameda County

Summary of Qualifications

A results oriented community activist for over 20 years in Alameda County. Astute in issues dealing with disabled clients. A community volunteer who has involved herself in issues related to seniors in the county, disabled clients and has worked for social justice within the community.

Volunteer Experience

- *United Seniors of Oakland and Alameda County*
- *Council Member Nate Miley (4 1/2 years)*
- *Children's Health & Well Being*

PETRINA V. ALEXANDER

EDUCATION

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO
Preliminary Education Specialist Credential, May 2000 4.0 GPA

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, HAYWARD
Clear Multiple Subject Credential, August 1998 3.7 G.P.A

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology-May 1994 G.P.A in Major 3.0/4.0

WORK EXPERIENCE

Oakland Unified School District/ Programs for Exceptional Children

Career Transition Teacher September 1997 - present

Coordinate special education work study program for 11th and 12th grade students. Establish contacts with community businesses and employment agencies to locate work opportunities for students. Communicate objectives of work study program to businesses and assist in adapting work situations for special needs youth. Responsible for developing and implementing Individualized Transition Plans for students with mild/moderate and severe disabilities. Instruct and counsel students in vocational choices, job readiness, job retention skills and behavior.

Skyline High School

Coordinator of the Gifted and Talented Education Program (GATE) 1998-2002

Oakland Unified School District/ Programs for Exceptional Children

Resource Specialist Teacher September 1994 - June 1997

Taught History, Math and English classes for 7th - 9th grade students, provided support and assistance to students in mainstream classes. Administered and evaluated achievement tests, developed and implemented Individualized Education Plans (IEP), and conducted IEP meetings. Collaborated and conferenced with regular education teachers about how to modify curriculum and utilize alternative evaluation methods, facilitated teacher in-service meeting to discuss special education procedures and regulations.

^Chairperson of Academic Achievement Committee

VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITYSERVICE

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. 1995 - present

Berkeley Bay Area Alumnae Chapter, Arts & Letters Committee

King Estates Junior High School 1994 - 1995

Saturday School Teacher

KELVIN T. BRAND

OBJECTIVE Seeking employment within a public or private organization as an advisor and representative for the disabled community.

QUALIFICATIONS

- * Hearing-impaired; recognized as a leader within the disabled community, representing disabled (i.e. deaf and hearing-impaired, blind, mentally retarded, persons in wheelchairs).
- * Communicate clearly in written English on a one-to-one basis, with limited spoken English; friendly and personable
- * Experienced in the proposal and implementation of programs to fill needs and solve community problems, including interpreter service for the hearing impaired for employment contacts, medical needs and emergencies
- * In communication with leaders of major programs for the disabled in the United States and Canada

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

Mayor's Commission on Disabled Persons, City of Oakland, California. COMMISSIONER. Appointed in January 1986; attend monthly meetings and contribute to discussion and recommendations on needs and problems related to architectural barriers, public relations, criminal justice, orientation systems for visually impaired, hard of hearing/deaf communication, and special education. Specific accomplishments in improved information services and program development:

- * Proposed and assisted in the implementation of Bayview District Day, a community information program regarding disabilities.
- * Coordinated City of Oakland program for tour of Japanese disabled visitors to Oakland, which included lunch served by Oakland High School disabled students.
- * Attended conference in Toronto, Canada, representing Oakland in meeting sponsored by the Information & Communication Services Division of the Department of the City Clerk to discuss needs and programs for the disabled.

Alameda County Paratransit Coordinating Council, Oakland, California. MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Act as representative and advisor in implementation of programs for the disabled including curb-to-curb transportation using modified vans, public information, handicapped parking, information and referral. Council is dedicated to the elimination of architectural, transportation and attitudinal barriers.

Oakland Private Industry Council, Oakland, California. ADVISOR. Proposed employment program for disabled persons which gained recognition as Most Improved Program in the city.

Deaf Self Help, Oakland, California. As six-month volunteer aide, taught independent living skills, assisted with intake process, answered teletype phone, typed, filed. Won merit award.

Lion's Club Center for the Blind, Oakland, California. As volunteer aide for six months, taught American Sign Language and independent living skills to deaf and/or blind individuals. Won merit award.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Ten years' experience as a photographer; two years as a scientific photographer; ten years as a janitor:

Freelance Photographer, Self-Employed, Oakland, California. Photographed subjects using still cameras with color and black and white film. Operate 35mm, 120mm, 4X5 cameras. Set up lighting operations. Use light meter and tripods. Mix and use chemicals for developing film. Process film negatives.

Scientific Photographer, IBM, San Jose, California. Made photographic copies of fragile documents and micrographic material, using 415 film (black and white) for disk computer programmer processing. Mixed chemicals, processed film and negatives, retouched negatives. Processed photos in dark room.

Janitor, Blue Inn, Oakland, California. Worked independently as the only janitor.

Janitor, West Point Academy, West Point, New York. Trained new janitors. Operated equipment including carpet cleaner, buffer/waxer, vacuum. Cleaned windows using building harness for upper levels. Tended boiler, shoveled snow. Used power and hand tools. Won awards for safe, clean, effective performance as a janitor (1969 and 1970).

Janitor, City of Greenwich Town Hall, Greenwich, Connecticut. Kept building in clean and orderly condition, with specific duties same as West Point Academy. Also maintained grounds, grass, trees, shrubs. Operated power lawn mower and edger.

EDUCATION

NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, White Plains, New York Graduate. Emphasis in vocational training. Participated in sports (basketball, football, tennis, wrestling), Boy Scouts, Business Club.

OHLONE COLLEGE, Fremont, California
Completed 30 units. Emphasis in photography and drafting.

ACADEMY OF ARTS COLLEGE, San Francisco, California
Completed 12 units. Emphasis in photography.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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Chris Finn, M.S.

Education

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, graduated 2000

- M.S. Educational Psychology/School Counseling
- WI Certified K-12 School Counselor

University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse, graduated 1996

- B.S. Therapeutic Recreation

Experience

Bay Area Outreach Recreation Program (BORP)

2002-Present Power Soccer Coach Berkeley, CA

- Recruit, train, coach, and supervise program athletes (ages 10-60) and teams during weekly practices and local, regional and national tournaments
- Assist Program Coordinator with planning, coordinating, and supervising tournaments, team trips, demonstrations, and special activities
- Maintain program equipment and recruit, train and supervise volunteers

Community Resources for Independent Living (CRIL)

2002-2003 Senior Tri-Valley Coordinator Livermore, CA

- Supervised and supported Tri-Valley staff and trained new employees
- Developed an educational program on inclusion of people with disabilities in the community to present to school children promoting disability awareness
- Provided individual and group peer support while teaching independent living skills to enable persons with disabilities and their families to develop their own support systems and to decrease isolation and increase or maintain a positive self-image
- Taught specific independent living skills that focus on enabling consumers to develop assertive communication skills and problem-solving abilities that allow the consumer to exercise self-advocacy

2002 Assistive Technology Outreach Coordinator Hayward, CA

- Arranged outreach presentations regarding assistive technology to support groups, senior centers, and other consumer-related facilities
- Modeled skills and advocated for the rights, equal treatment, and appropriate policies that effect persons with disabilities
- Contacted assistive technology consumers and surveyed for satisfaction

2000 Independent Living Counselor Hayward, CA

- Assessed and documented independent living needs of people with disabilities and their families ranging in age from 6 to 70
- Informed and referred consumers to appropriate and necessary resources
- Advised and guided consumers to maximize their independence

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

- 2001 Career Counselor Milwaukee, WI
- Provided job search counseling and planning support to UWM students and alumni
 - Performed one on one career counseling to UWM students and alumni
 - Assisted in upgrading career center's website, developing career center's counseling brochure, and supporting in projects as needed
 - Completed appropriate documentation regarding client sessions, statistical data, and appointment availability
 - Counseled students and alumni varying in disability, race, and ages 17-50
 - Co-produced a disability sensitivity training video for career center interns
 - Began learning to use Strong Interest Inventory and Myers-Briggs assessment tools

Educational Fieldwork

- 1999-2000 School Counselor Intern Madison University High School
- Provided individual, group, and career counseling
 - Proctored and interpreted standardized tests: WSAS, PSAT
 - Interviewed and counseled over 150 graduating seniors on post-secondary career options
 - Conducted PowerPoint presentations to freshmen transitioning to high school
 - Scheduled student classes using district-wide Oracle-based SMS (Student Management System)
- 1999 School Counselor, Practicum Student Lincoln Center of the Arts
- Implemented a "Positive Peer" group for middle school students to create positive attitudes and greater self-esteem
 - Conducted individual counseling
 - Assisted in conducting and interpreting standardized tests
- 1998 School Counselor, Fieldwork Student Marquette University High School
- Facilitated stress management and alcohol and drug small group sessions
 - Conducted individual counseling sessions
 - Taught freshmen orientation class

Volunteer

- 2002-Present Hotline Counselor Parental Stress Services
- Conduct crisis counseling regarding parenting, domestic violence, abuse, and stress
 - Received formal training in domestic violence issues
 - Liaison with county, state, and local agencies in providing crisis services to callers
 - Provide case management to callers so that they receive the appropriate support services
- 1993-2001 Camp Counselor Independence First
- Collaborated with other counselors in planning and organizing a summer camp promoting independent living to kids with disabilities
 - Developed and presented material for small and large group discussions and activities
 - Supervised and mentored small group of campers on daily basis
- 1999-2001 Chairperson of Transportation Committee Independence First
- Collaborated with community agencies and consumers to improve the Milwaukee County Paratransit system for people with disabilities
 - Surveyed consumers and reported results to the county with recommendations
 - Organized and hosted annual forum for consumers and county agency to discuss paratransit issues and concerns

Summary of Qualifications

Over 25 years in the corporate and non-profit sector. Strong emphasis on staff training and supervision, fiscal management and meeting facilitation. Literate in MS Word, Excel, Publisher and Power Point.

September, 2002 – Present

Programs Coordinator for the Greater Bay Area
National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Oakland, California

- Design, implement and coordinate the logistical aspect of an annual schedule of workshops, presentations and seminars for people with MS and their families.
- Develop resources and contacts to improve the quality and quantity of resources available to people with MS their family members, health care professionals and the community at large.
- Identify ethnic and cultural population affected by MS. This will allow the establishment of Self-Help Groups and workshops designed to address the issues particular to these groups.

January, 1996 – August, 2002

Synagogue and Education Administrator
Congregation Netivot Shalom, Berkeley, California

- Directed the day-to-day activities of Adult Education and Youth Education Programs.
- Advised and counseled families as to appropriate placement in education programs.
- Planned, organized, and conducted training for teaching and office staff and volunteer staff.
- Prepared annual administration and education budget.
- Established system for purchasing supplies and equipment.

April, 1988 - December, 1995

Business Service Provider
Montclair Data Services Corp., Oakland, California

- Wrote, designed and published marketing material for small businesses and non-profit organizations.
- Maintained mailing lists and databases for small businesses and non-profits.
- Developed mass mailing campaigns for small businesses and non-profit organizations.

January, 1987 – December, 1987

Executive Director
Business Women's Expo, Oakland, California

- Produced regional exposition attended by over 4,000 East Bay business, civic and community leaders.
- Negotiated exhibit site, meeting rooms and catering requirements.
- Selected, placed and supervised volunteer staff.

1986	Assistant Volunteer Coordinator	Festival at the Lake, Oakland, California
1984-1985	Assistant Volunteer Coordinator	Children's Hospital, Oakland, California
1980-1983	Manager	OXFAM, London, England
1967-1980	Retail Buyer	Jamesway Corp., Secaucus, New Jersey

Professional Affiliations

- BART Advisory Task Force

Education

Queens College, Flushing, New York

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31 August 2003

Paul Belkin
Office of the Mayor
3rd Floor
1 Frank Ogawa Building
Oakland 94612 CA

RE: MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITY-CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE

Dear Mr. Paul Belkin,

I am a visually challenged artist residing in Oakland for the past 8 1/2 years.

As a practicing artist with a permanent disability, I have first hand experience with--and knowledge of--accessibility and inclusion challenges. Also, having recently facilitated an Art Day workshop for artists with disabilities (Insights 2003), I am more keenly aware of the numerous concerns artists with disabilities encounter.

Thus, I hereby submit a request for consideration to serve the Mayor's Commission on Persons With Disability as a representative on the Cultural Arts Advisory Committee.

Accordingly, attached is a copy of my current résumé.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, do contact me at your convenience.

Please note that the Fairmount Avenue address in El Cerrito is a mailing address and any written correspondence should be directed there; my residence in Oakland is (and has been since Decembre 1994) 348 Haddon Road, No. 3 in 94606.

Regards,

Safi wa Nairobi

P. S. I initially learned about the Cultural Arts Advisory Committee at the Mayor's Office on Disability through Oakland Main Library ADA Coordinator Lynn Cutler. I have also spoken at length with Linda Texiero. SwN...

cc: Christine Calabrese, City ADA Coordinator

Safi wa Nairobi ♦

Objective: Serve Oakland Mayor's Commission on Person's With Disability's Cultural Arts Advisory Committee for at least one year.

Summary: I have been sharing the visual voice as a means of creative expression well over a decade. Despite legal blindness due to an hereditary, degenerative eye disorder, I began formal photography training while studying environmental economics. Publications since 1995 include three magazines: *FORWARD* (Seattle WA), *The Reggae Review* (San Francisco CA), and *Dub Missive* (Orlando FL). I work traditionally as well as experimentally, printing all my work. Currently, I serve as Visual Artist-in-Residence at Prescott-Joseph Centre for Community Enhancement, Oakland, CA, teaching free photography classes to underserved youth.

Professional Affiliations ♦ National Association of Women Artists (member) ♦ California Lawyers for the Arts (member) ♦ Berkeley Art Association (member) ♦ ProArts (member) ♦ The Very Special Arts (member artist) ♦

Professional Experience:

Upcoming Exhibitions

- *Art of Disability* State Building, Oakland CA; opening 22 Septembre 2003.
- *Art of Triumph* Bonner David Gallery; Phoenix, AZ; opening 18 Septembre 2003.
- *Art on the Hill: Expressions of Triumph* Kansas City MO; opening 4 Septembre 2003. 2003.
- *Florida Gold* Coral Springs Museum; Coral Springs FL; opening 3 Septembre 2003.
- *The Blues* Prescott-Joseph Centre for Community Enhancement; Oakland CA; Septembre 2003.

Select Exhibitions

- *Insights 2003* San Francisco Art Commission Gallery; San Francisco CA; ongoing.
- *Rhythm, Colour and Harmony* New York NY; 16 June through 16 July 2003.
- *National Juried Show* Farmington Museum; Farmington NM; 17 May to 15 June 2003.
- *Acquisitions Exhibition* Viewpoint Gallery; Schenectady NY; 15 May to 30 Decembre 2003.
- *Passionate Focus* Thompson Centre; Chicago IL; 1 May to 31 May 2003.
- *40th International Exhibition* Sister Kenny Institute; Minneapolis MN; 24 April to 26 May 2003.
- *ArtFirst!* Medical Centre @ Princeton; Princeton NJ; 6 April to 18 May 2003.
- *A Woman's Work* Prescott-Joseph Centre, Oakland CA; 29 March to 6 April 2003.
- *Faces of Women* Las Vegas Arts Council, Las Vegas NM; 21 March to 18 April 2003.
- *Structure by Lens* Studio 2 Gallery, Austin TX; 1 to 29 March 2003.
- *Jazz: Visual Improvisations* Target Gallery, Alexandria VA; 2 to 23 February 2003.
- *Art Ability* Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation Hospital, Malvern PA; 17 November 2002 to 5 January 2003.
- *National Photography Competition* Texas Art Museum, Port Arthur TX; 1 to 27 November 2002.
- *Oklahoma: Centerfold* Leslie Powell Gallery, Lawton OK; 9 November to 12 December 2002 and University of Science and Arts Gallery, Chickasha OK; January through February 2003.
- *Echoes & Visions* V Sea Country Community Centre, Laguna Niguel CA; November 2002.
- *By Her Hand* Cornell Museum, Delray Beach FL; 11 November 2002..
- *ABD17* Design Gallery, Long Beach CA; 22 July to 13 August 2002.
- *America Second City*, Long Beach CA; 4 to 26 July 2002.
- *Annual Juried Show* South Arkansas Art Centre, El Dorado AR; 1 to 30 July 2002.
- *Heart to Heart* Ruth Brennan Gallery; Rapid City SD; 8 February to 1 April 2002.
- *Celebrating The African Diaspora* University of Creation Spirituality; Oakland CA; January 2002.
- *10. Grace International Photographic Colour Salon* Hong Kong; November 2001.

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- 10. Hasselblad Super Circuit Linz, Austria; 4 October to 30 November 2001.

Installations

- *From the Inside Out* Prescott-Joseph Center for Community Enhancement, Oakland CA; June 2003.
- *Picturing Identity: Northern Asia and Southern Mexico* Wurster Hall, University of California at Berkeley; May 1996.

Awards

- Puffin Foundation Award to help produce *From the Inside Out* •; The Puffin Foundation; Teaneck NJ • Purchase Award: *Guilin' It: Mr. John Lee*; Sister Kenny Institute; Minneapolis MN; May 2003 • Second Prize in Photography at Sister Kenny Institute for (*Guilin' It: Mr. John Lee*); May 2003 • Purchase Award: *Keys to my Heart: Eric Reid*; Attleboro Museum; Attleboro MA; February 2003 • Visual Artist-in-Residence, Blue Mountain NY; October 2002 • Patron Award for *I Still Have A Dream*; Gastonia NC; September 2002 • Purchase Award: *Keys to my Heart: Eric Reid* (permanent collection); Viewpoint Gallery, Schenectady NY; July 2002 • First Prize in Photography at Sister Kenny International Exhibition (for *Keys to my Heart: Eric Reid*); May 2002 • Marion de Sola Mendes Award in Photography (for *I Still Have A Dream: Taps*); May 2002 • Individual Artist Service Award Grant to help produce *From the Inside Out* City of Oakland, Craft & Cultural Arts Department, Office of the Mayor; Spring 2003 • Purchase Award: *Keys to my Heart: Eric Reid* (permanent collection); Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation Hospital, Philadelphia PA; January 2002 • Individual Artist Service Award Grant to facilitate *Youthspeak: The Visual Voice* City of Oakland, Craft & Cultural Arts Department, Office of the Mayor; January 2002

Education

- Bachelor of Science, Political Economy of Natural Resources. University of California, Berkeley. 1998.

References

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Office of the City Attorney

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RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

**RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING EVA AGUILLARD, PETRINA ALEXANDER,
KELVIN BRAND, CHRIS FINN, LORRAINE ROSENBLATT AS MEMBERS OF
THE COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 9968 C.M.S. creates the Commission on Persons with Disabilities, whose members are nominated by the Mayor and approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 11864 C.M.S. specifies that members of the Commission on Persons with Disabilities 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 term set forth below:

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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