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Letter of Appointment

September 17, 2024

Dear President Bas and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter Section 601, the Mayor has appointed the following persons as members of the following board or commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

Oakland Youth Commission

Haniel Kebede, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as a District 1 Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by Sarah Turley; and

Kasen Naik, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as a District 2 Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by Calupe Kaufusi; and

Quincy Russell, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as a District 3 Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by himself; and

Edameyoh Ajayi, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as a District 4 Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by Anohki Mehta; and

Katie Liang, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as a District 5 Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by herself; and

Amber Johnson, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as a District 6 Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by herself; and

Ella Killingsworth, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as a District 7 Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by Brian Ibarra Morales; and

Ana Xu Li, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by herself; and

Calupe Kaufusi, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by Areli Chavez; and

Steve Nguyen, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by himself; and

Michelle Wong, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by herself; and

Ashley Tchanyoum, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by Haniel Kebede; and

Olivia Richardson Feldman, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by herself.

Bryce Hunt, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by herself.

Nathan YuHeng Li, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by himself.

Tengis Tumur, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by Sophia Hesseltine.

Sofia Castro, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by Gloria Guzman.

Diego Garcia, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At-Large Commissioner that began July 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2026, filling the seat previously held by John Noel.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sheng Thao". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sheng" being more prominent and the last name "Thao" following in a similar style.

Mayor Sheng Thao

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY


CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR SHENG THAO

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF HANIEL KEBEDE, CALUPE KAUFUSI, QUINCY RUSSELL, KATIE LIANG, ANA XU LI, MICHELLE WONG, STEVE NGUYEN, BRYCE HUNT, OLIVIA RICHARDSON FELDMAN, NATHAN YUHENG LI, AND AMBER JOHNSON, AND APPOINTMENT OF ASHLEY TCHANYOUM, EDAMEYOH AJAYI, ELLA KILLINGSWORTH, TENGIS TUMUR, KASEN NAIK, DIEGO GARCIA, AND SOFIA CASTRO AS MEMBERS OF THE OAKLAND YOUTH 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, the Youth Advisory Commission was created by Ordinance No. 10545 C.M.S., adopted February 5, 1985, amended by Ordinance No. 11461, passed June 23, 1992, amended by Ordinance No. 11869, passed March 12, 1996, and amended by Ordinance No. 13690, passed May 17, 2022, which changed the name from the "Youth Advisory Commission" to the "Oakland Youth Commission"; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Youth Commission is now comprised of seventeen (17) to twenty-five (25) youth members from the ages of 13 to 21, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, one to represent each Council District and the remaining members to serve as at-large members, with all appointments being for a period of two years, with a limit of two consecutive terms; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Youth Advisory Commission is to identify the needs of youth of the community from the ages of 13 to 21, thereby creating citizen awareness of such needs and serving as the policy recommending body for civic/education-related matters within the jurisdiction of the City of Oakland in which youth have an interest; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Sheng Thao has reappointed Haniel Kebede, Calupe Kaufusi, Quincy Russell, Katie Liang, Ana Xu Li, Michelle Wong, Steve Nguyen, Bryce Hunt, Olivia Richardson Feldman, Nathan YuHeng Li, and Amber Johnson to the Oakland Youth Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Sheng Thao has appointed Ashley Tchanyoum, Edameyoh Ajayi, Ella Killingsworth, Tengis Tumur, Kasen Naik, Diego Garcia, and Sofia Castro to the Oakland Youth Commission for the terms set forth below; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the following appointments to the Oakland Youth Commission:

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____

ASHA REED

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