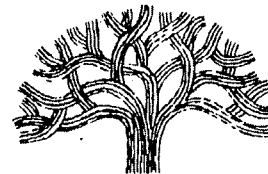


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Office of the Mayor
Honorable Libby Schaaf
Mayor

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Letter of Appointment

January 26, 2017

The Honorable City Council
One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Second Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear President Reid and members of the City Council:

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

Youth Advisory Commission

Rachel Dharmapalan, Mayoral reappointment to serve a two-year term as a District 2 appointee that began July 1, 2016 and will end June 30, 2018, retaining the seat she previously held.

Addison Duchin, Mayoral reappointment to serve a two-year term as a District 4 appointee that began November 1, 2016 and will end October 30, 2018, filling the seat previously held by Eleanor Good.

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Bethania Tadesse, Mayoral reappointment to serve a two-year term as a District 6 appointee that began July 1, 2016 and will end June 30, 2018, retaining the seat she previously held.

Jackeline Rivas, Mayoral appointment to serve a two-year term as an At Large appointment that began July 1, 2016 and will end June 30, 2018, filling the seat previously held by Shizhou Chen.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Libby Schaaf
Mayor

Rachel Dharmapalan

Dear Mayor Libby Schaaf and Oakland City Council,

My name is Rachel Dharmapalan, I am 13 years old, and I'm hoping you will consider me as a candidate to be an Oakland Youth Council member. I was born and live in Oakland. I currently attend St. Paul's Episcopal School as an eighth grader. I am feel I am qualified to work with the Oakland City Council because I have experience as a youth leader in my community.

Last year, I was voted 7th Grade Representative in my school. As Representative, I created a fundraiser where we sold Vietnamese sandwiches at school. We profited in more than \$1,000 in less than three months. The funds raised were used for student enrichment programs for my peers. This year, I was voted Student Council President. I will be creating a St. Paul's Community Cookbook as a fundraiser for my school- this will profit in thousands of dollars as well. We will take 10% of the profits from this project and donate it to a worthy Oakland youth program that we will select as a student council. It will likely target an organization that target youth in East Oakland.

I am also performing artist, I am hoping to use my experience and talent to educate the youth in Oakland. I am a classically trained pianist and have played piano for over 8 years. I have won many piano competitions and have been honored to play at **Carnegie Hall** and **the Lincoln Center** in New York City. With this background in music, I have learned and experienced the importance of music for youth. It has taught me discipline and the ability to perform in front of large audiences and my peers. One of the most important benefits is the therapeutic aspect of music. The benefits of music education are amazing and studies have consistently exposed the positive effects of music education has on a child's academic performance, sense of community, self-expression and self-esteem. With this knowledge, I would like to share these benefits with my fellow youth in my city. I plan to

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create a movement to save music programs in Oakland schools. Also, I am going to be working with a local artist, Asheba, to sing and play the guitar for patients at Children's Hospital in Oakland.

Another project that I'm working on is a short film I'm creating about Oakland. The film focuses on the artists in Oakland. Since Oakland is known for its musicians, poets, dancers, painters, etc. I wanted to create a film to highlight and honor these amazing artist.

I believe that I will be a good candidate for Oakland Youth Council because of my experience as a leader, a trained performer and a creative artist. I would be honored to share these skills with the City Council to support the music and art programs in schools. Music is a very important aspect in a young child's education and development and I hope no child should be deprived of this. I would like to see every child in the City of Oakland to have access to a musical instrument. It would be my privilege to serve on the City Council and share my ideas in bettering the experiences of the youth in Oakland youth.

Sincerely,

Rachel Dharmapalan



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Addison Duchin

Objective: Help improve Oakland as a part of the Oakland Youth Advisory Board.

Education:

Oakland Technical High School	Entering Fall 2015
Oakland School for the Arts	June 2015
• School year of 2014-2015 GPA: 3.83	
• Honor roll past 3 consecutive years	

Work Experience:

• Babysitter/Mother's helper	2013-15
• Dog walker/sitter	2014-15
• RJD Construction co. construction site helper	2014-15
• FORD Models and talent:	
Actor, Citroen Car commercial	2012
Actor, Identity Thief web series	2015

Volunteer Experience

Thornhill Elementary School	Class President
Worked with the rest of the elected student body council to organize school activities. Created a student run talent show that continues to be an annual event at the school.	

Ardenwood Historic Farm	Farm Volunteer
Help with the animals and assist the park naturalists with craft activities and activities on Special Events.	

February 10, 2016



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Education

- Montera Middle School
- Oakland Technical High School- 9th Grade

Job Experience

- Babysitter- provide child care for 2 young children on the weekends
- House sitter- provide care of neighbor's garden, home, mail, and safety
- Pet sitter- fed, exercised, and provided care for neighbor's pets
- Elder care- provide meal and health assistance to elderly disabled neighbor

Volunteer Experience

- Sales assistant at Montera Rummage sale
- Teacher assistant for Montera art teacher

Interests/Talents/Hobbies

- LGBTQI issues
- Teen issues
- Art
- Social networking
- Fashion
- Community service
- Foreign travel
- Heritage
- Physical Fitness/Solo cross country runs

Honors/ Awards

- Honor Roll for fall first semester, freshman year at Oakland Technical High school
- Recreate Art Contest- Two time Award Winner
- Science Fair Award Winner

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RYAN HUNT

OBJECTIVE

- Intended College Major: Mathematics, Pre-Med
- Intended Career: Medicine

EDUCATION

- Bishop O'Dowd High School, Oakland, California (9/2014 - Present)
- 3.15 *unweighted* cumulative GPA
- Rank: N/A
- Graduation: June 2018

ACADEMIC HONORS

- AP, Honors or Accelerated Courses Taken:
 - 10th: Pre-Calculus,
 - 9th: Honors English I, Honors Algebra 2/Trigonometry, Honors Geo-History

PERSONAL STRENGTHS

- Ambitious
- Creative
- Observant
- Resilient

CURRENT YEAR COURSES

- Pre-Calculus
- Earth Science
- English 2
- Spanish 2
- Advanced Jazz Band
- Religion

Resume

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Name: Gloria Guzman

Address:

Middle school: Alliance Academy (class of 2013)

High school: Envision Academy (class of 2017)

Home number:

Cell number:

Email:

I've been in HOBY NORCAL, and NITE Biz camp.

I use to work with the city of Oakland. I helped clean up parks, and remove graffiti from the walls.

Honors & awards: I got distinction on my 10th grade benchmark portfolio, and Panther of the week at my school.

Interests: Psychology, History, writing, soccer, and traveling

Bethania Tadesse

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EDUCATION

High School - French American International High School: San Francisco, California

International Baccalaureate - Expected Graduation Date: June of 2018

Georgetown University - "Fundamentals of Medicine" Successfully completed a 5 weeks college credit program - Summer 2015

Middle & Lower School- French American International School: San Francisco, California

SKILLS

- Proficient with Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, iMovie, Photoshop & PowerPoint
- Excellent communication, customer service, organization and planning skills.
- Languages: English (Fluent), French (Fluent), Spanish (Advanced), Amharic (Advanced)

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Oakland Zoo, Oakland, CA 2014 - 2015

Teen Wild Guide

- Providing animal interpretive information for the public using a variety of biofacts and interactive stations.
- Working in the contact yard, monitoring the animals and teaching children about animal care.
- To gain knowledge and zoo work experience, for those interested in a future career with animals.
- Gained experience working with children.
- Gained valuable public speaking skills.

Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America (CCFA)..... November 2015

Volunteer

- Volunteered on the organization's 1st inaugural walk.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Princess Toy Drive September 2014 - Present

Founder

- Founded annual "Princess Toy Drive" in 2014 to provide gifts for under privileged kids around the holiday
- Planning and Implementation of Annual fundraising to buy 100 toys

- Recruit volunteers to wrap and distribute gifts.
- Annual Partnership with Oakland Council Member Desley Brooks to distribute gifts
- Successfully distributed 100 gifts per year at the Council Member annual Holiday Party (2014 and 2015)

SCHOOL

ORGANIZATIONS

Community-Service Action Team (CAT)..... September 2014- Present

Advisory Representative

- Inform students about the community service opportunities
- Attend monthly meetings with Community Service Steering Committee
- Help with grassroots organizing and school-wide service projects

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Profile

Jackeline

First Name

Rivas

Last Name

Middle Initial

Email Address

Street Address

Suite or Apt

Oakland

City

CA

State

94621

Postal Code

Mobile:

Home:

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Employer

Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Youth Advisory Commission

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us how your qualifications and participation will relate to the requested board and/or commission's mission.

I've always believed that we the youth should have a voice. I have taken a lot of leadership skills in my school, and community. I was part of the Executive team where I was the teachers assistant after school, and went to meetings and training in order to do that. I had meetings every week. I was a leader in my child development class. I gave tours to possible donators to be able to build a daycare/ preschool since there are a lot of children in need of one.

Please submit your resume or curriculum vitae. You may upload a document. (A Word format is preferred.) Alternatively, you may paste the text of your resume in the field provided below.

Please paste the text of your resume or curriculum vitae below.

Jackeline Rivas , 5933 Hayes Street Apt #B Oakland,CA 94621 Rivasjackeline.jr@gmail.com (510) 944-2333 Objective To further develop my leadership skills, serve my city, and build new relationships with other young Oakland activists. Education Alternatives in Action High School, Oakland, CA GPA: 3.9 Expected Graduation Date - June 2018 Work Experience Burger King, Oakland,CA - Cashier , June 2016 - Present Assisted training Maintains high quality customer service at all times Operates point of service (POS) computer system for automated order taking Responsible for handling currency and credit card transactions quickly and accurately Ensures safe food preparation, assembly and presentation procedures are followed Responsible for resolving customer complaints quickly and professionally Alternatives in Action High School, Oakland,CA, Executive Team Member July 2015 Participated in training programs Lead summer training programs Assisted afterschool programs Attended meetings Engaged with peers, students Leadership Experience Alternatives in Action High School, Student Leader for Sociology Course August 2015 -June 2016 Member of student leadership council Lead project groups to improve school community Created and presented to student body about upcoming charter renewal for school Organized the entire student body, 50 families, and community members to present at the Alameda unified board meeting Designed and created multiple projects to address school needs This includes presenting a project proposal to the principle, and maintaining a project timeline. Alternatives in Action High School, Oakland,Ca, Child Development Course, Student Leader August 2015- June 2015 Prepared a speech to get donations to build day care/ pre-school connected to our school Assisted meetings Lead school tours Created a plan and explained why the preschool build project would be good for our community Seat up and planned a kids play date Created flyers and advertised event Volunteer Experience Melrose Library, Oakland,Ca, Student Volunteer, 2011- 2015 Reshelf books Facilitated events Read to kids Gave reference for books Signed up people for library cards Informed people of upcoming events Raising Harte Health center, Oakland,Ca, Student volunteer, February 2016 to June 2016 Filled documents Assisted Sex Education classes Assisted meeting for patient privacy training Made binder with reference to teen clinic, support groups etc. Organized and stocked up things the doctor needed St. Anthony Catholic School, Oakland, Ca, Student Volunteer, January 2016- June 2016 Elementary afterschool Teachers Assistant Read to children Helped children with homework and helped strengthen them in school fields Facilitated DIYS and games Related Interests References Kenja Rodriguez, Alternatives In action High School, (707)333-4720, Krodiguez@alternativesinaction.org Phung Lai, Alternatives In Action High School, (510)919-1700, Plai@alternativesinaction.org Ramses Munoz, Raising Harte Health Center, (510)915-7571, ramsesmunoz@fredfinch.org Rogelio Nevarez, St. Anthony Catholic school, (510)534-3334

Please click the acknowledgement below.

Service on City of Oakland boards, commissions, and committees may require filings of the FPPC's Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700). Upon appointment and determination of filing status, I will comply with all filing obligations.

I Agree *

Jackeline Rivas

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Objective

To further develop my leadership skills, serve my city, and build new relationships with other young Oakland activists.

Education

Alternatives in Action High School, Oakland, CA GPA: 3.9
Expected Graduation Date - June 2018

Work Experience

Burger King, Oakland, CA - Cashier June 2016 - Present

- Assisted training
- Maintains high quality customer service at all times
- Operates point of service (POS) computer system for automated order taking
- Responsible for handling currency and credit card transactions quickly and accurately
- Ensures safe food preparation, assembly and presentation procedures are followed
- Responsible for resolving customer complaints quickly and professionally

Alternatives in Action High School, Oakland, CA, Executive Team Member July 2015

- Participated in training programs
- Lead summer training programs
- Assisted afterschool programs
- Attended meetings
- Engaged with peers, students

Leadership Experience

Alternatives in Action High School, Student Leader for Sociology Course August 2015 - June 2016

- Member of student leadership council
- Lead project groups to improve school community
- Created and presented to student body about upcoming charter renewal for school

- Organized the entire student body, 50 families, and community members to present at the Alameda unified board meeting
- Designed and created multiple projects to address school needs

This includes presenting a project proposal to the principle, and maintaining a project timeline.

Alternatives in Action High School, Oakland, Ca, Child Development Course, Student Leader
August 2015- June 2015

- Prepared a speech to get donations to build day care/ pre-school connected to our school
- Assisted meetings
- Lead school tours
- Created a plan and explained why the preschool build project would be good for our community
- Seat up and planned a kids play date
- Created flyers and advertised event

Volunteer Experience

Melrose Library, Oakland, Ca, Student Volunteer, 2011- 2015

- Reshelf books
- Facilitated events
- Read to kids
- Gave reference for books
- Signed up people for library cards
- Informed people of upcoming events

Raising Harte Health center, Oakland, Ca, Student volunteer, February 2016 to June 2016

- Filled documents
- Assisted Sex Education classes
- Assisted meeting for patient privacy training
- Made binder with reference to teen clinic, support groups etc.
- Organized and stocked up things the doctor needed

St. Anthony Catholic School, Oakland, Ca, Student Volunteer, January 2016- June 2016

- Elementary afterschool Teachers Assistant
- Read to children
- Helped children with homework and helped strengthen them in school fields
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Related Interests

References

Kenia Rodriguez, Alternatives In action High School,

Phung Lai, Alternatives In Action High School,

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Rogelio Nevarez, St. Anthony Catholic school,

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR LIBBY SCHAAF

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 86496 C.M.S. CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF RACHEL DHARMAPALAN, ADDISON DUCHIN, ELENA LARSEN, RYAN HUNT, GLORIA GUZMAN, AND BETHANIA TADESSE AS MEMBERS OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION IN ORDER TO CORRECT THE APPOINTMENTS

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, and amended by Ordinance No. 11869, passed March 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Advisory Commission is comprised of Twenty-Five youth from ages 13 to 21, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, one to represent each Council District and the remaining eighteen 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, pursuant to Resolution No. 86496 C.M.S. the City Council confirmed the Honorable Mayor Libby SchAAF's reappointment of Rachel Dharmapalan, Addison Duchin, Elena Larsen, Ryan Hunt, Gloria Guzman and Bethania Tadesse to the Oakland Youth Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, some of the appointments confirmed in Resolution No. 86496 did not accurately reflect the Council District represented by the appointee; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby amends Resolution No. 86496 C.M.S. and pursuant to City Charter section 601, confirms the following appointments to the Youth Advisory Commission:

Rachel Dharmapalan, Mayoral reappointment to serve a two-year term as a District 2 appointee that began July 1, 2016 and will end June 30, 2018, retaining the seat she previously held.

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL-WASHINGTON, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, GUILLÉN, KALB, KAPLAN, AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

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