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Office of the Mayor Honorable Libby Schaaf Mayor (510) 238-3141 Fax (510) 238-4731

Letter of Appointment

January 31, 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 reappointed and appointed the following persons as members of the following board or commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION

Noelle Duong, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning November 14, 2016 and ending November 13, 2019, retaining the seat she currently holds.

Dr. A. Aurea Lewis, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning January 16, 2017 and ending January 15, 2019, retaining the seat she currently holds.

Nidhi Khosla, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning November 14, 2016 and ending November 13, 2019, filling the seat previously held by Kathryn Sterbenc.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Sincerely,

Libby Schaaf Mayor OFFICE OF THE GITY CLERK OAKLAND

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Noelle Tu Duong

Work Experience

Jane Kim for State Senate 2016, Volunteer and Community Director

- Recruit, train, and manage approximately 1,500 volunteers
- Communicate constructive feedback to volunteers to improve facilitation of voter outreach
- Develop and deliver community specific messaging of Supervisor Kim's legislation to micro target voters
- Coordinate with consultants and other campaigns to craft and implement campaign plan
- Organize and speak at campaign events hosting over 1000 people
- Plan, host, and publicize successful community building activities

Teach for America, Core Member & Second Grade Teacher at Garfield Elementary (June 2015 – June 2016)

- Gather and analyze student data (e.g. reading and math scores) to apply learning interventions
- Coordinate with students, families, staff, and administration to offer students holistic support and services
- Develop and teach daily lesson plans to provide students quality instruction in multiple core subjects

East Bay Asian Youth Center, Academic Advisement Staff & Board Member

- Manage a caseload of over 65 high school students' social, emotional, and academic needs
- Organize and host school events to promote community building and provide information and resources to students and families
- Plan and engage in staff development trainings
- Analyze and advise implementation of organization's policy and impact on the larger Oakland community

San Francisco District Attorney's Office, Policy, Media, & Communications Intern (January 2015- June 2015)

- Collect and analyze statistics for public reports, statements, and speeches
- Perform research and data analysis on topics relating to laws, law enforcement, crime, and safety
- Assemble reports, documents, and manuals for office and public distribution

City and County of San Francisco Office of Supervisor Kim, City Hall Fellow (September 2014- June 2015)

- Organize, categorize, and respond to constituents' comments, questions, and concerns
- Connect constituents with resources regarding homelessness, land use, public safety, and other community issues

Public Service

Oakland Public Library, Commissioner & Advocacy Committee Co-Chair

- Advocate for the Oakland Public Library at local, state, and national meetings and events
- Supervise and process requests of patrons and staff in regards to facilities and materials at the Oakland Library
- Perform community outreach and organize meetings to address the needs of the Oakland Public Library system

Education

University of California, Berkeley Bachelor of in Arts in Social Welfare and Minors in Education and Public Policy	(August 2011- May 2015)
Loyola Marymount University California Teaching Credential and Certification	(August 2015- May 2015)
Public Policy and International Affairs (PPIA) Institute, Fellow	(June 2014- July 2014)

- Complete course work in economics, statistics, and policy analysis
- Draft and Present policy briefs for public review

(June 2016-November 2016)

(September 2013- Current)

- Collaborate with Oakland city officials to promote library and community welfare

(February 2008- June 2015)

Noelle Tu Duong

Education

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

Intended'B A in Social Welfare and Minors in Education and Public Policy

May 2015

Work Experience:

Summer Bridge

Resident Assistant

Assist low income first generation students transition into college Maintain a safe and inclusive living environment for all Communicate effectively with diverse youth from underrepresented communities Provide academic support and guidance Mediate conflicts Facilitate community programs

East Bay Asian Youth Center (EBAYC)

Intern/Board Member

Mentor and assist low income youth with homework Lead a reading class and an enrichment class Create and administer lesson plans Worked with peers to make program wide changes Participated in making choices on how our organization would impact and serve Oakland Successfully demonstrated positive role modeling

Leadership and Community Service:

Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)

Intern

Attend to the reception desk Interact with students to schedule appointments with counselors Find resources to assist students with their needs Direct phone calls Organize the office Communicate with counselors to on a case by case bases to perform office tasks

OASES

Mentor

Assist students with home work Lead community building activities Set a positive example by exposing students to the idea of college FILED OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK OAKLAND

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Resume of

Rev. Dr. A. Aurea Lewis

Position: Library Commissioner District 3

Currently hold position with Friends of African American Museum & Library at Oakland FAAMLO Membership Chair four years.

Currently Vice- Chair of the California Council of Churches located in Sacramento California.

Currently Chaplain Trainer with Pastors of Oakland successful graduated (12) twelve new chaplains. Educational trained by Sacramento Enforcement Chaplaincy Studies in Sacramento California, three years (3). Registered Chaplain International with the Pastors of Oakland ten years.

Member of the Faith Based Advisory Board of Alameda County

Special Counsel to Oakland Chief Police 10 years. Special Counsel to Current District 3 Counsel Person

Currently member of the Oakland, Unified School District Academic Special Needs Unit.

Recently worked with Children Defense Fund Harambee Afterschool Program focus Middle School three years.

Continuing Peacemakers two years, Site Manager Coordinator, AmeriCorps Middle School Site Advisor two years.

Urojas Community Services, Community Outreach Executive Administration Chief of Staff (6) six years currently.

Work locally with Community Non- Profits such as Oak Center Cultural Center, Behavioral Mental Health Services, Coordinating Mental Health Services for Alameda Health System, and community members coming from Incarceration.

Currently Member of the CoveredCa a Health Care network (ACA) for State of California Certified Enrollment Counselor, and a Certified Enrollment Entity.

Education: PhD. Biblical Studies, Master Biblical Studies, Master of Divinity, BA Public Administration emphasis Health Issues. AA Business Accounting, Real Estate, Women's Executive Management, Conflict Resolution Mediation.

Other positions in the State Current member of Congregations organized for Prophetic Engagement, Current Member of SAMHSA for Faith Based groups, building sustainable collaborative partnership to support clergy, individuals and families.

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Nidhi Khosla,

SF 502, Hayward, CA 94542 Email: 5

Phone:

EDUCATION

2007-2012	Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, USA Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Department of Health, Behavior and Society, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
2005-2007	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA Master of Public Health, Department of Maternal and Child Health, UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health Certificate in International Peace and Conflict Resolution
2005- 2007	Duke University, North Carolina, USA Certificate in International Development Policy, Sanford School of Public Policy
1998-2000	Institute of Rural Management, Anand (IRMA), Gujarat, India Post Graduate Diploma in Rural Management (MBA)
1993-1996	Miranda House, University of Delhi, New Delhi, India Bachelor of Arts in Economics, completed with honors

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Sept 2016-present	California State University, East Bay, College of Science
Teaching Position:	Assistant Professor, Department of Nursing and Health Sciences

Aug 2012-Aug 2016University of Missouri, School of Health ProfessionsTeaching Position:Assistant Professor, Department of Health Sciences

UNIVERSITY SERVICE California State University, East Bay

University Wide

Ad Hoc Committee on Sustainability Fall 2016-present Secretary

Committee on Curriculum and Instruction Writing skills sub-committee Winter 2017-present Member

College of Science Health Summit Fall 2016-present

Department of Nursing and Health Sciences Curriculum Committee Fall 2016-present Member

Representing department at campus events Oct 15, 2016 Health Sciences Representative, Preview Day

Other service	
Oct 14, 2016	Poster compilation, Health Summit
Sept 29, 2016	Facilitator, developing quarterly work-plans workshop

UNIVERSITY SERVICE other academic experience

2015-2016	Member, Diversity Committee, Department of Health Sciences, University
	of Missouri-Columbia
2010-2011	Student Representative, Committee on Equity, Diversity and Civility, The
	Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
2010-2012	Founder, Stressbusters@JHSPH student group, The Johns Hopkins
	Bloomberg School of Public Health
2008-2011	Member-at-Large, Student Assembly, The Johns Hopkins Bloomberg
	School of Public Health
2006-2007	Chair, Education subcommittee, Student Global Health Committee, UNC
	School of Public Health
1998-2000	Editor, Terra Firma- IRMA Student Magazine and PRM-19 Class
	Yearbook, Institute of Rural Management, Anand, India

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Years	Organization	Position held
2010-2016	American Public Health Association	Member
2014-present	Gerontological Society of America	Member
2015-present	American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine	Member

HONORS AND AWARDS

2015	American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine Research Scholar
2014	Honorable mention for the James G. Zimmer New Investigator Research
	Award, presented by the Aging and Public Health section, American
	Public Health Association
2011	Student Paper Award, presented by the Medical Care Section, American
	Public Health Association

2011	HBS Distinguished Research Award, awarded by the Department of
	Health, Behavior and Society, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public
	Health, Baltimore, MD, USA
2011	Student Scholarship for the AcademyHealth Conference, Seattle,
	Washington, USA, awarded by Public Health Systems Research Interest
·	Group, AcademyHealth, Washington DC, USA
2010	HBS Distinguished Research Award, awarded by the Department of
	Health, Behavior and Society, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public
	Health, Baltimore, MD, USA
2007-12	Sommer Scholarship, awarded by the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of
	Public Health
2006	Robert Verhalen Endowed Scholarship in Injury Prevention / Trauma
	Management, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
2006	Second prize for academic poster on 'Interdisciplinary perspectives on sex
	trafficking' exhibited at the conference on 'Sexual Trafficking: Breaking
	the Crisis of Silence', organized by the University of North Carolina at
	Chapel Hill
2005-07	Rotary World Peace Fellowship, awarded by Rotary International

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

2016	Oakland Public Library, Elmhurst Branch	Volunteer, litter walk
2016	Oakland Library Advisory Commission	(Application submitted)
2014	The Crossing Church, Columbia, Missouri	Nursery volunteer

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

Article(s) Published in Refereed Journals

- 1. Shen, H.W., & Khosla, N. (2016) Does Volunteering Experience Influence Advance Care Planning in Old Age?. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work.* 59(5):423-438.
- Khosla, N., Marsteller, J.A., Hsu, J.A., & Elliott, D.E. (2016). Exploring collaboration among HIV agencies through combining Network Theory and Relational Coordination. *Social Science & Medicine*. 150:85-94. doi: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2015.12.006.
- Jain, K.M., Maulsby, C.H., Kinsky, S., Khosla, N., Charles, V., Riordan, M., Holtgrave, D.R. (2016). Exploring Changes in Interagency Collaboration following AIDS United's Positive Charge, a Five Site HIV Linkage and Retention in Care Program. *Health Education & Behavior*, 43(6):674-682.
- 4. Khosla, N., & Zachary, I. (2016). Perspectives of HIV agencies on what constitutes an ideal system of HIV prevention, treatment and care. *AIDS Care*, *10*:1-6. [Epub ahead of print]
- Kabel, A., Khosla, N., & Teti, M. (2015). The dog narratives: Benefits of the human–animal bond for women with HIV. *Journal of HIV/AIDS & Social Services*, 14(4): 405-416. DOI: 10.1080/15381501.2013.860069

- 6. Khosla, N., Kennedy, C., Winch, P., Latkin, C., & Marsteller, J. A. (2015). Impact of closure of a safety net HIV case management agency. *World Medical & Health Policy*, 7(2) 121-136.
- 7. Khosla, N., Washington, K.W., & Regunath, H (2015). Factors influencing South Asians' attitudes toward pain management at end of life. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Care*. 33(9):849-857
- 8. Khosla N., Curl, A., & Washington K.W. (2015) Trends in Engagement in Advance Care Planning Behaviors and the Role of Socioeconomic Status. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Care*, 33(7):651-7. doi: 10.1177/1049909115581818.
- Khosla, N., Marsteller, J.A., & Holtgrave, D. (2013). The use of memoranda of understanding in fostering inter-agency collaboration: a qualitative study of health services agencies serving vulnerable populations in Baltimore, USA. *Health Services Management Research*, 26(4), 126-136. doi: 10.1177/0951484814525599
- Sharma, R.K., Khosla, N., Tulsky, J.A., & Carrese, J.A. (2012). Traditional expectations versus US realities: first- and second-generation Asian Indian perspectives on end-of-life care. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, 27(3), 311-7. doi: 10.1007/s11606-011-1890-7
- Khosla, N., Juon, H.S., Kirk, G.D., Astemborski, J., & Mehta, S.H. (2011).Correlates of nonmedical prescription drug use among a cohort of injection drug users in Baltimore City. *Addictive Behaviors*, 36 (12), 1282-1287. doi: 10.1016/j.addbeh.2011.07.046.
- 12. Khosla N. (2009). The ready-made garments industry in Bangladesh: A means to reducing gender-based social exclusion of women? *Journal of International Women's Studies, Special Issue: Islam and Gender in Asia* 2009, *11*(1). Available at http://www.bridgew.edu/SoAS/jiws/Nov09/Nidhi.pdf
- 13. Khosla N. (2009) HIV/AIDS interventions in Bangladesh: what can application of a social exclusion framework tell us? *Journal of Health Population and Nutrition*, 27(4), 587-97.

Article(s) accepted for publication

14. Khosla, N., Washington, K.W., Shaunfield, S., & Aslakson, R (2017). Communication Challenges and Strategies of US Health Professionals Caring for Seriously Ill South Asian Patients and Their Families. Accepted by Journal of Palliative Medicine

Article(s) currently Under Preparation:

- 15. Khosla, N., Smith, J., & Ganesh, C (2017). Arguments in favor of co-location of HIV services [working title].
- 16. **Khosla, N.**, Washington, K.W., Ganesh, C., & Aslakson, R (2017). Factors affecting healthcare decision-making among South Asian patients [working title]

17. **Khosla, N.**, Kennedy, C., Marsteller, J.A., Winch, P. J., Latkin, C., & Holtgrave, D. (2017) "Factors affecting collaboration among agencies serving HIV positive and at-risk, vulnerable populations: A qualitative study.

Professional Presentations National-level

2016	Oral Presentation: Khosla , N. Social Isolation in Asian American and Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Communities. 8th Biennial Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Health Conference. New York University School of Medicine Center for the Study of Asian American Health.
2016	Round table Presentation: Khosla, N. , Washington, K.W., Shaunfield, S., & Aslakson, R. Communication Challenges and Strategies of US Health Professionals Caring for Seriously Ill South Asian Patients and Their Families. American Public Health Association annual meeting
2015	Poster Presentation: Khosla, N ., & Washington K.W. Factors Influencing South Asians' Attitudes toward Pain Management at End of Life. American Public Health Association annual meeting, Chicago.
2015	Poster Presentation: Jain, K., Maulsby, C., Kinsky, S., Khosla, N. , Charles, V.E., Riordan, M., Nortrup, E., & Holtgrave, D.R. Exploring changes in interagency collaboration following Positive Charge, a five site HIV linkage and retention in care program. American Public Health Association annual meeting, Chicago.
2015	Poster Presentation: Shen, H.W., & Khosla, N. Does volunteering experience influence advance directive completion in old age? The Gerontological Society of America, Annual Scientific Meeting, Orlando.
2014	Poster Presentation: Khosla , N ., Curl, A., & Washington K.W. "Advance Care Planning among Older Adults: Does Social Stratification Play a Role?" at From Health Promotion to End-of-Life Concerns session, Social Research, Policy, and Practice section, Gerontological Society of America, Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington D.C.
2014	Poster Presentation: Khosla , N ., & Marsteller, J.A. "Analysis of inter- agency coordination among HIV agencies through dual use of social network techniques and relational coordination" at Community-Based HIV prevention session, HIV/AIDS section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, New Orleans.
2014	Oral Presentation: Khosla , N . "Managing unintended consequences of inter-agency collaboration" at Collaborative improvement efforts in health administration – I session, Health Administration section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, New Orleans.
2014	Round table presentation: Khosla, N. "Local Ryan White HIV Planning

Councils as interfaces between local public health department and HIV agencies" at Health administration round table: Innovations in health administration session, Health Administration section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, New Orleans. 2014 Poster Presentation: Khosla, N., Curl, A., & Washington K.W. "Increasing prevalence of advance directive completion in a nationally representative study" at Health services research and health economics session, Medical Care section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, New Orleans. 2013 Oral Presentation: Khosla, N., & Marsteller, J.A. "Cracked or connected: An exploration of the network of HIV service agencies in Baltimore" at Community-based linkages in HIV session, HIV/AIDS section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, Boston. 2012 Poster Presentation: Khosla, N., & Marsteller, J.A. "Do we need one stop shops or smaller agencies? Views of HIV service agencies on how to best serve clients" at Access to Care and Health Inequities session, Health Administration section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, San Francisco. Oral Presentation: Khosla, N., & Marsteller, J.A. "[Collaboration] in the 2011 field of HIV is not nice, it is necessary": Issues in inter-agency collaboration among HIV service agencies" at the Student Paper Award Session organized by the Medical Care Section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, Washington DC. 2011 Oral Presentation: Khosla, N., & Marsteller, J.A. "For our clients, that was gold": The role played by a central agency in an HIV services network and the consequences of its closure for the community" at the Effective Planning and Policy Development Towards Improving Mind, Body and Community Health session, American Public Health Association annual meeting, Washington DC 2011 Poster Presentation: Khosla, N., & Marsteller, J.A. "How do HIV-service agencies themselves conceptualize an ideal system of HIV prevention, care and treatment?" HIV/AIDS Prevention Strategies, American Public Health Association annual meeting, Washington DC 2011 Poster Presentation: Khosla, N. "Memorandum of understanding (MOUs): A nuisance or a useful strategy for fostering collaboration among HIV/AIDS service agencies?" Public Health Interest Group Meeting, AcademyHealth annual meeting, Seattle, WA. 2011 Poster Presentation: Sharma, R.K., Khosla, N., Tulsky, J.A., & Carrese, J.A. "Views on End-of-Life Care among South Asians Living in the U.S." Society of General Internal Medicine 34th Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ.

Professional Presentations- State-level

2016	Poster Presentation: Khosla, N. , Washington K.W., Mukherjea, & Mahendra, N. Healthcare providers' perspectives about palliative care needs among South Asians. Engaging the Next Generation. First National Symposium on Academic Palliative Care Education and Research. CSU Institute for Palliative Care, San Marcos.	
2014	Poster Presentation: Khosla, N. , Curl, A., & Washington K.W. Predicting Advance Care Planning among Older Adults: Findings from the Health and Retirement Study. 24th Annual Caring for the Frail Elderly Conference, Columbia, Missouri.	
Professional Presenta	tions Local-level	
2010	Poster Presentation: Khosla , N. , Juon, H.S., Kirk, G.D., Astemborski, J., & Mehta, S.H. "Correlates of prescription drug abuse among a cohort of injection drug users in Baltimore City" at "The Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health Fourth Annual Conference for the Dissemination of Student Research on Addictions, Infectious Disease, and Public Health"	
2007	Oral Presentation: Khosla, N . "Globalization and human trafficking: some implications for North Carolina" at the Navigating the Global American South Conference, North Carolina.	
2007	Oral Presentation: Khosla, N . "Social Exclusion and HIV in Bangladesh" at the Spring Conference of the UNC-Duke Rotary Peace Center at Duke University, North Carolina.	
2006	Poster presentation: Khosla , N . "Interdisciplinary perspectives on sex trafficking" exhibited at the conference on 'Sexual Trafficking: Breaking the Crisis of Silence', organized by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.	
Other Professional Engagement		
2016	Symposium organizer and discussant, oral session on Healthcare Challenges Facing South Asians Elders in South Asia or the United States, Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, New Orleans	
2015	Moderator, oral session on Health-related decision making, Aging and Public Health section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, Chicago	

2013 Moderator, round table session on HIV interventions for marginalized and vulnerable populations, HIV/AIDS section, American Public Health Association annual meeting, Boston.

Peer-Reviewer

2010-present

- 1. American Journal of Public Health
- 2. Addiction Journal
- 3. AIDS Care
- 4. Journal of Social Aspects of HIV/AIDS-SAHARA-J
- 5. Microorganisms
- 6. Ex-Aqueo, the scientific Journal of APEM Portuguese Women's Studies Association
- 7. Social Indicators Research
- 8. Journal of HIV/AIDS & Social Services
- 9. Qualitative Health Research
- 10. Journal of Ageing Research and Healthcare

Conference abstract reviewer

2016	Gerontological Society of America meeting
2015	American Public Health Association meeting
2014	American Public Health Association meeting

OTHER INVITED TALKS

2009

"Public health and world peace: What are the possible linkages", Rotary Zone 28-29 Institute, Minneapolis, Oct 10, 2009. Approximate audience size 300.

"My experiences as a Rotary Peace Fellow", at Moorestown Rotary Club, New Jersey, Mar 19, 2009. Approximate audience size 50.

2008

"My experiences as a Rotary Peace Fellow", at Towsontowne Rotary Club, Maryland, Nov 5, 2008. Approximate audience size 50.

"My challenges in America, my goals for the future", at Zone 32 Mid-Atlantic Scholar Training (LINK), Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, September 14, 2008. Approximate audience size 20.

2007

Keynote Speaker, Rotary Foundation Seminar, Districts 7430 and 7450 at Kulpsville, Pennsylvania, October 27, 2007. Approximate audience size 150.

"Why I Became a Peace Fellow" at the Rotary District 7610 Foundation Seminar, Stafford/ Fredericksburg, Virginia, Aug 25, 2007. Approximate audience size 100.

GRANTS

GRANT APPLICATIONS FUNDED

2016

Faculty Diversity and Inclusion Development grant. Office of University

Diversity, California State University, East Bay. \$ 1500.

2013-2014 Patient Centered End-of-Life Care for Culturally Diverse Groups. Awarded by Richard Wallace Faculty Incentive grant. University of Missouri-Columbia \$3000

KEY WORD/AREAS OF INTEREST

Vulnerable populations, health disparities, HIV, end of life care, advance care planning, social determinants of health

COURSES TAUGHT

HS 3300: Health Care Systems in the US, Department of Nursing and Health Sciences, California State University, East Bay.

Jan 2017- present Class size 33

Fall 2016Class size 40

HS 3800: Multicultural Issues in Health Care, Department of Nursing and Health Sciences, California State University, East Bay.

Jan 2017- present Class size 33

Fall 2016Class size 48

HLTH SCI 3900: Introduction to the Research Process and the Evidence Base, Department of Health Sciences, University of Missouri-Columbia.

- Spring 2016 Online sections. Class size 43
- Fall 2015Online sections. Class size 68
- Spring 2015 Online sections. Class size 40
- Spring 2014 Online sections. Class size 33
- Fall 2013In-person. Class size 38
- Spring 2013 In-person. Class size 38
- Fall 2012In-person. Class size 37

HLTH SCI 4300: Healthcare in the United States, the School of Health Professions, University of Missouri-Columbia.

Spring 2016 In-person. Class size 65

Fall 2014

In-person. Two sections, total class size 114

Fall 2013In-person. Class size 60

As a brand new Oakland resident (I started living in Oakland since October 1, 2016) and recent entrant to the bay area (I arrived from Missouri on September 6, 2016), I am extremely excited and privileged to apply for a position on the Oakland Library Advisory Commission (LAC). My multidisciplinary education, international background, knowledge of several languages and skills in policy analysis, public speaking and not-for-profit management can contribute to meeting the commission's mission.

My multidisciplinary graduate education includes a PhD in Public Health (Johns Hopkins University), MBA from IRMA, India, Certificate in International Development and Policy Analysis (Duke University) and Certificate in Peace and Conflict Resolution from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. This has instilled in me a love for learning, and being able to appreciate and present different perspectives to different stakeholders.

I was born and raised in India. Before I came to the US, I worked on managing not-for-profit programs on social justice and health in India for five and a half years. This helped me build a rich perspective on how lack of access to education, to information and resources such as libraries, can affect children's development and future income and worsen poverty. I came to the US in 2005 on a Rotary World Peace Fellowship for a Master in Public Health degree and stayed on to complete a PhD. I have been an Assistant Professor at University of Missouri Columbia (Aug 2012-2016) and at California State University, East Bay where I started working in September 2016. I speak several languages. I am fluent in English, Hindi, Punjabi and Urdu. I am at a beginner level in Spanish and can say basic greetings and thanks in Mandarin and Russian. My language skills can help in interacting on behalf of the LAC with persons from different linguistic backgrounds.

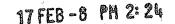
Public speaking and advocacy is one of my interests. I have been an invited speaker to Rotary Foundation's advocacy and fundraising events and to professional conferences in my field. Further, I lecture regularly as an academic. These public speaking skills will help in advocating on behalf of the Library Advisory Commission.

My training in Policy Analysis and actual work experience in not-for-profit management will also help the LAC mission by analyzing documents, preparing talking points, marketing materials and preparing policy memos. I am a published writer as well.

In the past few weeks, I have volunteered in cleaning litter at the Elmhurst library and attended two meetings of the LAC. I love working with people and am excited at the prospect of volunteering with this amazing set of people. I believe strongly that libraries are essential to a society's development and can help reduce disparities in access to knowledge and the emerging technology-related digital divide especially among under-privileged groups. By building global awareness, libraries can even contribute to more global harmony.

In closing, I believe I have a unique academic and professional background and skills that will be very useful to meeting the LAC's mission. In return, I will find it very rewarding to volunteer for a cause in which I am a strong believer. I hope you shall consider my application favorably.

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Approved as to Form and Legality

Office of the City Attorney

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No.

C.M.S.

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF NOELLE DUONG AND DR. A. AUREA LEWIS AND APPOINTMENT OF NIDHI KHOSLA AS MEMBERS 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. 8064 C.M.S, adopted November 13, 1969 and amended by Ordinance No. 11730 C.M.S., adopted July 26, 1994, establishes the Library Advisory Commission to advise and make recommendations on the operation and future development of the library system and to act as a liaison between the Library Department and the Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Library Advisory Commission consists of fifteen (15) members serving not more than two consecutive three-year terms; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Libby Schaaf has reappointed Noelle Duong and Dr. A. Aurea Lewis and appointed Nidhi Khosla to serve three-year terms 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 following reappointment to the Library Advisory Commission:

Noelle Duong, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning November 14, 2016 and ending November 13, 2019, retaining the seat she currently holds.

Dr. A. Aurea Lewis, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning January 16, 2017 and ending January 15, 2019, retaining the seat she currently holds; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's following appointment to the Library Advisory Commission:

Nidhi Khosla, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning November 14, 2016 and ending November 13, 2019, filling the seat previously held by Kathryn Sterbenc.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS City Clerk and Clerk of the Oakland City Council