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RE: Letter of Intent

**City of Riverside
City Clerk's Office**

I would like to formally request to be considered for appointment to fill the vacant seat in Ward 7.

As a Ward 7 resident for over 25 years, I feel that I *can* and *will* properly represent the interests of my community. In my years here I have served on many different boards, spending my time being a community advocate. I volunteered in the Alvord Unified School District from 1992- 2017-finally stopping when my youngest graduated. During this time I was a board member of the RNP for 2 years where I feel I made a positive impact. I am also the proud steward of Ward 7's first *Little Free Library*; promoting literacy one book at a time in my community. When I bought my home in La Sierra at the young age of 23, I immediately recognized the beautiful, diverse community I chose to call home. Consequently, my husband and I started our business 10 years ago in Riverside, and I have been blessed with the opportunity to both work locally and be a productive member of my community.

The reason I want to fill the seat is simple. I feel our city council could use some diversity. I feel that I, as a Latina woman, can bring a different viewpoint to the table. Furthermore, being bilingual affords me the opportunity to communicate with our Spanish speaking neighbors and give them a voice-a topic I am very passionate about.

Educational Background:

- Whittier Chiropractic College – Chiropractic Assistant 1990
- Fullerton College - AA Science 1988

Professional Experience:

- Chiropractic Assistant 1987-1997
- Business Owner 2005-Current

Notations:

- Certificate of Completion - Institute of Cultural Affairs in the USA - Technology of Participation: Jan 9, 2016
- Ordained Minister of Universal Life Church: March 3, 2016
- Certificate of completion - Brown Act, Conflict of Interests, and Code of Ethics: May 7, 2016
- Certificate of completion - Citizens Police Academy: May 22, 2014

If chosen to serve, my ward can count on the fact that I will be its voice and my decisions will be based on the community wants and needs.

Respectfully submitted,

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