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To the Riverside City Council; Mike Gardner, Andy Melendrez, Mike Soubirous, Chuck Conder, Chris MacArthur, and Jim Perry; and also the honorable Mayor Rusty Bailey,

I love the City of Riverside. It provided me with an excellent education at Arizona Middle School, La Sierra High School, Riverside City College, and culminated in my doctoral degree at University of California Riverside. My wife Theresa, a Norte Vista High School graduate and award winning teacher, also has spent most of her life here and we met at a congregation in the city. Our children were all born at Riverside Kaiser Permanente hospital. We have them in public schools in dual immersion Spanish language program and have participated in the Parks and Recreation sports and swim programs. We attend a Spanish speaking congregation on Mitchell Avenue. My Eagle Scout project was done at a facility on Van Buren Avenue, we are members of the Riverside City Bicycle Club, and I played piano for several years with the Riverside City Swing Ensemble. This is our home and we intend to stay here for a long time. That is why I am interested in the vacated Ward 7 City Council seat.

Like all of you, I know that wbatever decisions I would make at City Hall would directly impact residents not only for Ward 7, but for the entire city. It would be my job to continue to ensure that we live in a safe city. We want to continue to enjoy quality community services at our parks and libraries and have access to good public transportation and public utilities services. We want to have a business environment that is strong and also responsible to the community. But all of the decisions to meet residents' high expectations must also be balanced by the reality that there are budget constraints and priorities to maintain our infrastructure and services already provided, fire and police readiness, and ensure that we avoid burdening taxpayers now and in the future from fiscal crises like those that have played out across the country since 2008. I am a quick study, having read and studied more in graduate school than many people do their entire lives. I have the ability to learn the duties of the position and study the issues necessary to make the decisions to continue to live in a great city.

Our city is great, but it is not perfect and I look forward to the opportunity to serve my fellow residents by working with all of you to face our challenges. Part of the expectation of service to this appointment is that the appointee will not seek election in 2019. I promise not to seek election at the end of this appointment. I know that incumbents have an advantage in an election and it would be unfair to those seeking an elected position to which I was not elected in the first place. I have other professional aspirations that I will put on hold to serve our city for the next 22 months and make time to serve. I look forward to my interview on August 29 where we can speak publicly about who can best represent Ward 7 and serve Riverside.

Sincerely,

Dr. William Pearce

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Résumé William David Pearce, PhD

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Education/Training

PhD, History, University of California Riverside – Research Specialization in Modern European History (Dissertation focuses on the Romanian Orthodox Church during World War II), secondary field is Early Modern European History, teaching field is Modern World History. BA, History, University of California, Riverside (RCC Transfer)

Lived in Romania from spring 2003-February 2005, Archival research done in Romanian National Archives in Bucharest in winter 2012.

Current Employer

ETS, ETS Corporate Headquarters, 660 Rosedale Rd., Princeton, NJ 08541. Currently employed as Scoring Leader supervising, managing, and helping teams of raters in the ONE system evaluating SAT essays and ELPAC from my home computer. Also a rater on TexasSTAAR in English and Spanish for various grades.

Past Employment

The Mission Inn Hotel and Spa 3649 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501. 951-784-0300. Valet Runner (parking guests' vehicles), Festival of Lights twice.

Department of History, 1212 HMNSS Building, University of California, Riverside, 900 University Avenue, Riverside, CA 92521, Phone (951) 827-5401, Fax (951) 827-5299. Teaching assistant from fall 2008-spring 2012, reader in spring 2012. Courses included World History 20th Century, World History 1500 C.E.-1900 C.E., and Ancient World History, Post-war Europe, and Chinese religious history. Duties included many of the same responsibilities for mentoring students through the course materials, holding weekly discussion sections and office hours; guiding students through a course that was I did not design but in which I still had expertise, teaching students how to use the University of California library system, maintaining discussion section websites using the iLearn/Blackboard system, and working with a diverse student population that included international students, English language learners, and students with special needs.

The Princeton Review 3637 Canyon Crest Dr., Suite I-105, Riverside, CA 92507, Phone 951-788-5992. From January 2006- September 2007 SAT Prep Teacher/Tutor/Test Administrator.

Alvord Unified School District 10365 Keller Ave., Riverside, CA 92505, Phone (951) 509-5000. From summer 2008 to spring 2010 Substitute/Coach.

Past employment also includes student custodian/weight room supervisor at UCR Recreation Center, vehicle deliveries to and from auto-auctions for wholesalers/used car sales, Big 5 Sporting Goods, UPS, Lifeguard, office assistant, piano teacher, and Baker's Drive Thru. Also a volunteer BSA scoutmaster October 2008-2011 (Eagle Scout Award earned in 1998). CIF certified coach, two years working with cross country and basketball.