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Colleen Nicol City Clerk's Office 3900 Main Street Riverside, CA 92522

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Dear Ms. Nicol,

I, Steve Adams, the immediate past and three-term City Councilmember of Ward 7, request that my name be added for consideration for appointment to fill the open Ward 7 City Council seat. I am the most qualified applicant to fill this vacancy.

In my 12 years on the council it has been the practice of those and this council to always honor the voice of the people in choosing who they want to represent them. The residence of Ward 7 in three consecutive elections chose me to be their representative on the City Council. Having been fully vetted and duly elected by the residents of Ward 7, any other choice would effectively be ignoring their voice.

The most important issue before this council is who is most qualified and best prepared to seamlessly step in and immediately begin to address the many outstanding and unresolved issues that are now, and will be, confronting the residents of Ward 7 over the next 22 months.

Further, in this critical time with the many important issues facing our city, the City Council needs experience and stability to best serve all our residents. My appointment will bring immediate knowledge and seamless stability to the council as well as a passionate voice speaking for our residents who live in the "Gateway to Riverside".

My many years representing our city on the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) afford me an understanding of our critical transportation challenges no other applicant possesses. In addition, my knowledge of our budget and city-wide operating procedures will allow me to "hit the ground running", giving immediate and positive impacts for all our constituents. I spent many years building positive relationships with our talented employees and I look forward to serving with them.

As the three-time duly elected by the residents of Ward 7 applicant who left the service of our city with distinction and on my own terms, no other applicant understands the needs and desires of the residents of Ward 7 better than me. While I am thoroughly enjoying retirement and spending time with my family, the residents of Ward 7 are profoundly under represented. I am committed to immediately ending that deficiency. With the City Council's concurrence, I stand ready to serve.

Respectfully

Steve Adams Former Riverside City Councilmember – Ward 7