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MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

OCT 11 2016

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 4 of the Office on Ex-Offender Affairs and Commission on Re-Entry and Ex-Offender Affairs Establishment Act of 2006, effective March, 2007 (D.C. Law 16-243; D.C. Official Code § 24-1303), which established the Commission on Re-Entry and Ex-Offender Affairs ("Commission"), re-designated by Mayor's Order 2012-31, dated February 12, 2012, as the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs, I am pleased to nominate the following person for appointment to the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs:

Mr. Tony D. Lewis
39 Hanover Place, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001
(Ward 2)

as a member of the Commission, replacing Joseph Thomas, for a term to end August 4, 2019.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Muriel Bowser".

Muriel Bowser



Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution,
which was referred to the Committee on _____.

To confirm the appointment of Tony D. Lewis to the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning
Citizen Affairs.

RESOLVED, BY COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution
may be cited as the "Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs Tony D. Lewis
Confirmation Resolution of 2016".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

Mr. Tony D. Lewis
39 Hanover Place, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001
(Ward 2)

as a member of the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs, established by
section 4 of the Office on Ex-Offender Affairs and Commission on Re-Entry and Ex-Offender
Affairs Establishment Act of 2006, effective March, 2007 (D.C. Law 16-243; D.C. Official Code
§ 24-1303), re-designated by Mayor's Order 2012-31, dated February 12, 2012, as the
Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs, replacing Joseph Thomas, for a term to
end August 4, 2019.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Tony D. Lewis

EDUCATION/TRAINING

Bachelor of Arts, Urban Studies, Magna Cum Laude
University of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC
Certificate: Non-Profit Leadership

December 2003

High School Diploma, General Education
Gonzaga College High School, Washington, D.C. 20001

June 1998

Maryland Institute For Employment And Training Professionals

- Creating a Retention Environment
- Code Switching: Helping Ex-Offenders Make a Mental Shift
- Global Career Development Facilitator Credential

October 2006
November 2006
August 2009

EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

Twelve years of extensive experience in personal/professional development of the District of Columbia's hard to serve populations. A proven leader that is extremely passionate and enthusiastic. A person that is always willing to go above and beyond the call of duty. Detail-oriented, energetic self-starter with the ability to multi-task. "Go-To Person."

AWARDS/APPEARANCES

- 2014 President's Call to Service Award
- 2013 Washington Post Magazine feature on Gun Violence
- 2012 Urban Promise Outstanding Youth Service Award
- 2012 Fab Empire Philanthropist of the Year
- 2012 CNN.com feature highlighting service to youth
- 2012 Politic 365 Game Changer Award
- 2012 Blue Sky Development Outstanding Service to the Community Award
- 2012 Six Twelve Magazine (Cover Story highlighting service to youth /community)
- 2012 Washington Post Article (Highlighting Service to Youth with Incarcerated Parents)
- 2011 Ford Hoodie Award Winner "Best Community Leader"
- 2011 Reel Film Festival Community Service Award
- 2011 DMV International Film Festival Breakthrough Film Award
- 2010 Washington Post Article (Highlighting Service to Returning Citizens)
- 2010-2014 CSOSA Outstanding Performance Award
- 2009 D.C. Change Agent Award "Warrior for Peace" Recipient
- 2007-2008 Highlighted on Black Entertainment Television Series
- 2003-2005 D.C. Ward 2 Core Team Human Services Committee Member

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Sons of Life Outreach Initiative, Founder ,

Washington, DC
2010-Present

- Mentor Children of Incarcerated Parents through social, educational , and cultural programming
- Supervise 4 volunteers that mentor 20 youth
- Provide employment resources for the parents of the children that are being mentored
- Coordinate major community outreach events (toy drives, bus trips , turkey drives, coat drives, peace marches) that has positively affected the lives of thousands of District of Columbia residents
- Mediate disputes amongst rival communities and neighborhoods

Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, Vocational Development Specialist/Job Developer, Washington, DC
2009-Present

- Develop employment, educational ,and training opportunities for some of the 15,000 offenders under CSOSA supervision that are unemployed or underemployed
- Research and report labor market information to the VOTEE staff
- Foster relationships between CSOSA and business community
- Establish goals and objectives for the VOTEE unit

- Conduct career development workshops for offenders pursuing employment and occupational skills training
- Develop program curriculums and objectives
- Train other staff in areas of job coaching and job development
- Serve as a representative for CSOSA for various community and media related events

DC Department of Employment Services – Project Empowerment, Manpower Development Specialist, Washington, DC 2005-2009

- Facilitated an intensive three week Life Skills/Employability Training for 1,200 of the hard to serve demographic mainly ex-offenders focusing on various topics (i.e. Job Readiness, Anger Management, Conflict Resolution, Work Ethics)
- Planned and Coordinated activities and programs at the D.C. Jail Employment Readiness Center
- Developed Life Skills/Employability Training Curriculum (Project Empowerment and D.C. Jail Employment Readiness Center)
- Conducted training for other agencies dealing with the hard to serve population (primarily Ex-Offenders)
- Visited worksites and performed as liaison between worksite supervisors, clients, and Project Empowerment staff.
- Mediated disputes, identified conflict, flagged problems for the intervention and encouraged the overall professional development of clientele
- Assessed clients' employment readiness and referred clients to appropriate employment opportunities.
- Coordinated meetings, devised new job coaching strategies, and provided training for new job coaches
- Maintained written documentation on all programs activities, including monitoring of individuals training and progress
- Conducted follow up with clients in subsidized work experience
- Developed employment opportunities for clients
- Managed case load of up to 80 participants at a time

College Bound, Site Coordinator, Washington, DC 2008-2009

- Motivated and encouraged children of incarcerated parents to enter college, earn degrees, and achieve their personal and professional goals
- Conducted workshops with youth on self-image, anger-management, conflict resolution, sound decision making and the correlation between education and employment
- Introduced youth to strategies and skills to help them avoid following in the footsteps of their incarcerated parent

D.C. Department of Parks and Recreation, Jr. Roving Leader/Roving Leader, Washington, DC 2000-2005

- Performed the duties of a professional outreach youth worker that has a specialized knowledge of youth gang prevention techniques and other crime deterrence strategies.
- Instrumental in providing job counseling, drug and alcohol abuse services, truancy prevention, and recreational and cultural programs for clients ages 9 to 21.
- Prevented, reduced, neutralized, and controlled the negative behaviors of "at-risk youth" by using recreation and leisure time activities as the intervening vehicles for redirecting antisocial and aggressive behaviors.
- Provided "at-risk" youth with quality outreach by giving them educational, employment, and health care referrals.
- Helped "at-risk" youth develop leadership skills and cognitive development through personal conversations and positive behavior workshops.
- Worked with D.C. Public School truancy staff to follow up on students that had missed more than two days in a four-week period and provided those children with support services and tutorial opportunities.
- Provided job counseling and referrals to locations that offer employment opportunities for youth.
- Worked with the Metropolitan Police Department to ensure safe neighborhoods for the communities in which clients resided.
- Took youth on enrichment field trips that provided them with a glimpse of the world that exists outside of their neighborhoods.
- Made home visits to create a partnership with the clients' parents/guardians.
- Mediated neighborhood disputes and territorial struggles between rival groups/gangs.



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TONY LEWIS



Tony Lewis, Jr. is a community leader, youth advocate, and work force development professional specializing in justice-involved men and women. He currently serves as a vocational development specialist at Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA), leading programs to ensure men and women with a history of incarceration have complete and seamless reentry into society.

Mr. Lewis personally understands the impact of incarceration on communities – to both the person serving time and his or her family. At the age of 9, Mr. Lewis's father, Tony Lewis, Sr., was arrested and sentenced to life in prison for his connection to the largest drug operation in the District. At the same time, his mother struggled with mental illness, which was exacerbated by his father's incarceration. Growing up in this atmosphere, Mr. Lewis was exposed to a criminal enterprise that he could have easily emulated. He credits his mother for motivating him to pursue education.

Mr. Lewis's work and advocacy has been featured on CNN, BET, and in the Washington Post. He is the winner of the Steve Harvey - Ford Motor Company "Best Community Leader Award" and the "Presidential Call to Service Award." His memoir, *Slugg: A Boys' Life in the Age of Mass Incarceration* is a soulful meditation on the social and political forces that profoundly changed the course of his life, the outlook of his generation, and the prospects of generations to follow.

A native Washingtonian and resident of Ward 2, Mr. Lewis graduated from Gonzaga High School, and earned a Bachelor of Arts from the University of the District of Columbia.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Lauren C. Vaughan, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: September 22, 2016
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions appointing Al Hanson, Clarence Johnson, Corwin Knight, Esther Ford, Marcus Bullock, Paula Thompson, Stenise Sanders, Tanisha Murden, and Tony Lewis to the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced Resolutions and found them to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call Alana Intrieri, Deputy General Counsel, Executive Office of the Mayor, at 202-724-1303, or me at 202-724-7681.

Elizabeth Cavendish