

MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

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

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 4 of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Act, effective October 21, 1975 (D.C. Law 1-22; D.C. Official Code § 39-203), I am pleased to nominate the following person for reappointment:

Ms. Alma Gates 4911 Ashby Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20007 (Ward 3)

as a member with specific interest, ability, or experience in public art of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities, for a term to end June 30, 2022.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with 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,

Muriel Bowser

Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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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 reappointment of Ms. Alma Gates as a member of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Commission on the Arts and Humanities Alma Gates Confirmation Resolution of 2019".

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

Ms. Alma Gates 4911 Ashby Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20007 (Ward 3)

as a member with specific interest, ability, or experience in public art of the Commission on the

- Arts and Humanities, pursuant to section 4 of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Act,
- effective October 21, 1975 (D.C. Law 1-22; D.C. Official Code § 39-203), for a term to end
- 34 June 30, 2022.

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- Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
- 36 upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.
- 37 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

ALMA HARDY GATES

CAREER SUMMARY: Extensive experience in nonprofit organizations, including long-range planning; policy and program development; research; administration; financial management; fund raising; and multi-agency coordination.

RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

National Cultural Alliance, Washington, DC, 1993 - 1995.

A coalition of 53 national service organizations in the arts and the humanities conducting a three-year public awareness campaign on the Importance of the Arts and Humanities to the American Public.

American Alliance of Museums, Washington, DC, 1987-1993. The national organization serving museums and museum professionals.

American Institute of Architects Foundation, Washington, DC, 1986-1987 The publicly-oriented arm of the American Institute of Architects.

National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, DC, 1980-1986 National Main Street Program providing technical assistance for the revitalization of central business districts and neighborhoods.

ELECTED POSITIONS

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3D, 2002-2008 — Chair 2004-2007 Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3D, 2014 — Secretary 2015

BOARDS and COMMISSIONS

Commissioner, DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, 2011 – present Chair, Public Art Committee 2014

Trustee, Committee of 100 on the Federal City, 2010 - present

Member, Spring Valley Restoration Advisory Board, 2008 - present

Member, Palisades Citizens Association, 1999-2015

Member, Museums in the Life of a City, Philadelphia, Pa., 1990-1993

Member, Stone Ridge School, 1971-1974; 1987-1994

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Member, Zoning Regulation Review Task Force, 2010 - 2014

Member, Committee of 100 on the Federal City, 2008 – present

Chair, Zoning Subcommittee, 2010 - present

Member, Spring Valley FUDS Partnering Team, 2003-present

Member, Mayor's Parking Task Force, 2002-2003

Member, Mayor's Ward 3 Transportation Task Force, 2001-2005

Coordinator, Police Service Area (PSA) 205, 2000-present

Chair, Traffic Committee, Palisades Citizens Association, 1999-2001

- 2013 Committee of 100 on the Federal City Barbara Zartman Award for Planning and Zoning
- 2013 Federation of Citizens Associations of the District of Columbia Outstanding Citizen Activist

EDUCATION

B.A., Maryville University, St. Louis, Mo Diploma, Washington Montessori Institute



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Alma Gates



Ms. Gates, a native Washingtonian and current member of the Commission on Arts and Humanities, has a long and distinguished record of service to the city as a volunteer and community activist.

Ms. Gates retired from the National Cultural Alliance, which conducted a three-year public awareness campaign on the importance of the arts and humanities to the American public. Ms. Gates also served in the programs and policy area of the American Alliance of Museums (formerly the American Association of Museums), where she

represented the association in a unique public private partnership in Philadelphia.

At the American Institute of Architects Foundation, Ms. Gates initiated the Foundation's grants program. Ms. Gates was appointed by the Army Corps of Engineers to serve as a member of the Spring Valley Partnering Team and Restoration Advisory Board in an advisory capacity on the recovery of World War I munitions from the American University Formerly Used Defense Site. Ms. Gates is also a recipient of the DC Citizens Federation's 2013 Outstanding Citizen Activist Award and is retired from the National Cultural Alliance.

Ms. Gates also has extensive experience in nonprofit organizations, including long-range planning, policy and program development, research, administration, financial management, fund raising, and multi-agency coordination. Currently, Ms. Gates is a trustee of the Committee of 100 on the Federal City and serves as chair of its zoning subcommittee.

A Ward 3 resident, Ms. Gates received her Bachelor of Science degree from Maryville University, and a teaching certificate from the Washington Montessori Institute.





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



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To:

Gianelle Rivera, Steve Walker

From:

Betsy Cavendish

Date:

November 22, 2019

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Subject:

Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Cora Masters Barry, Natalie

Hopkinson, Cicie Sattarnilasskorn, Mary Ann Miller, Alma Gates, Jose Alberto

Ucles, and Rona Friedman as members to the Commission on the Arts and

Humanities.

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

Elizabeth Cavendish