



Irene Gomez-Bethke Papers.

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January 24, 1979

Mr. Robert Andrega
Office of Governor Elect
Room 123
State Capitol
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Mr. Andrega:

We, the Chicano-Latino Advisory Committee to the Mayor of Minneapolis, strongly support the candidacy of Mr. Frank Gallegos as the Director of the Human Rights Commission. The Minneapolis Hispanic Community is very concerned about the lack of Hispanic appointments to commissions and boards on an administrative level. We feel government is enhanced by the participation of high caliber people. Mr. Gallegos has served his community well and is strongly supported by the Minneapolis community.

Respectfully submitted
for the Committee



Irene DeBethke
Chairperson for the Chicano-Latino
Advisory Committee

IDB:ap



October 25, 1977



Ms. Irene Bethke
4649 Decatur Ave. No.
New Hope, MN 55428

Dear Irene,

Last Thursday, October 20th, the Urban Coalition caucuses elected new members to the Coalition Board of Directors. The caucuses also selected a caucus chairperson. The new members of the Board of Directors representing the Chicano Caucus are Frances Zamora and Irene Bethke. Alternates from that Caucus are Felino de la Pena and Rafael Esparza. The Chairperson of the Caucus will be Donn J. Vargas.

This year proved to be a good one in terms of getting Latino representation in the Assembly. Altogether there were twelve Latinos elected into the Assembly. Francisco Trejo and Jose Gaitan elected to join the Community-Wide Service Agencies Caucus, of which Francisco was elected Chairman. One member, August Rivera, was absent; and, therefore, did not designate a caucus he wanted to become a part of. Dr. Rivera has been nominated for one of the vacant at-large positions on the Coalition Board of Directors. Election of at-large members will be conducted through the mail. All Assembly members will be sent a ballot.

Alfredo Gonzalez, Pedro Roybal, Frances Zamora, Linda Samels, Lolly Smith, Felino de la Pena, Donn Vargas, Irene Bethke and Rafael Esparza are the new members of the Chicano Caucus. The Chicano Caucus members were asked to identify any issue areas pertaining to Latinos that they felt should be included in a UCM proposed poor peoples' agenda, a report which would be submitted to the new mayor and council. A copy of the ideas articulated by the Caucus on October 20th is enclosed. Please give this subject more consideration. The Caucus will be getting together again soon to talk further about the poor peoples' agenda.

I will be in touch with you soon.

Sincerely,

Arturo

Arturo Perez
Assistant Director
Community Outreach

AP/cda

Enclosure

Congratulations Irene!



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

September 5, 1978

Dear Ms. Gomez-Bethke:

Mrs. Mondale was so pleased by your invitation to the Hispanic Week banquet on September 10, but disappointed about the limitations of her September schedule. She will be in Minneapolis on September 10, but a very limiting schedule calls for her to return to Washington late that afternoon.

Mrs. Mondale will miss being with you and participating in the beginning of a very special week in Minneapolis. The schedule for the week is impressive and Mrs. Mondale asked that I send her best wishes for the continued success of your efforts and for a very happy Hispanic Week.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Bess Abell
Bess Abell
Executive Assistant to
Mrs. Mondale

Ms. Irene Gomez-Bethke
4649 Decatur Avenue North
New Hope, Minnesota 55428

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

Martin Olav Sabo
Fifth District
Minnesota

November 16, 1979

Ms. Irene Bethke
4649 Decatur Avenue North
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55428

Dear Ms. Bethke:

I will be meeting in my office at 110 South Fourth Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota on Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m., November 21, with a small group of constituents for a discussion of energy and fuel assistance issues.

It would be appreciated if you could join this group. You may call my office at 725-2081 for more information. I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,



Martin Olav Sabo
Member of Congress

pc

MURIEL HUMPHREY
MINNESOTA

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 30, 1978

Ms. Irene Gomez-Bethke
4649 Decatur Avenue, North
New Hope, Minnesota 55428

Dear Ms. Gomez-Bethke:

Thank you so much for your recent letter, and also for furnishing me with a copy of the program for the Minnesota National Hispanic Heritage Week Celebration. You should be commended for your hard work and for putting together such a great program.

As much as I would like to be with you for the banquet on September 10, I will be enroute from Minnesota to Washington at that time and will not be able to make it. I am flattered you would want me, however, and appreciate your writing.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Muriel Humphrey". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Muriel Humphrey

November 9, 1979

Memorandum

TO: Members of the Mayor's and City Councils' "Minority"
Advisory Committees

FROM: Irene Gomez-Bethke, Hispanic Advisory Committee
Randy Staten, Black Advisory Committee
Eugene Buckanaga, Concerned Indian Member

SUBJECT: We are intensely concerned about the many adverse problems facing "People of Color" in the City of Minneapolis today, and would like to discuss some of these important issues with you.

DATE: Wednesday, November 14, 1979

Time: 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Minneapolis Regional Native Indian Center
1530 E. Franklin Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404

It is extremely vital to all "People of Color" that we mobilize for our own mutual benefit.

Please RSVP to Margaret Jones, Mayor's Office
Phone number 348-2100

P.S. There is another important meeting relating to increased activities of the KKK to be held Tuesday, November 13, 1979 at Centro Cultural Chicano, 1800 Olson Memorial Highway at 7:00 p.m.
We would appreciate your attendance at this meeting as well.

MEMO FROM: Marcela Trujillo

As you may have heard, I have not been named for reappointment to the HRA Commission. At Friday's Hispanic Advisory Committee meeting, I also announced that I would not be interested in pressuring anyone for that position. However, I believe that it is necessary to have our representative on the HRA Board since Centro's lease has not been finalized, and also in order to have a commissioner to negotiate the sale of the building in 1981. The Committee has planned the following strategy: First, call the following Council members, and tell them that you are opposing Hofstede's appointee, Stan Murzyn because you need an Hispanic on the Board. This is nothing against this man whom we do not know, but we want the Council to know that we are numerous and united on an issue, besides wanting them to open up the process again to include an Hispanic.

*Jackie Slater 348 2206

Mark Kaplan-Chairman of the committee, 348 2208

Parker Trostel 348 2207

Charlene Hoyt 348 2213

Zollie Green 348 2209

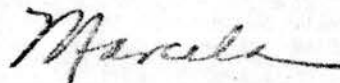
Tony Scallon 457 9558 - (He may be replacing Zollie Green, but he is also an HRA commissioner at the present time).

Also call Lou DeMars at 348 2205 and ask him to exert his influence in our favor. We have also decided to attend the City Council meeting with signs or placards at 9:00 a.m. Friday Nov. ~~10~~ ⁹ to oppose Murzyn's confirmation.

Your name has been mentioned as a possible replacement, and I am asking you to let me know if you are interested so that we can make a decision on Saturday, (this Saturday), Nov. 10th, at 1:00 p.m. at Centro Cultural Chicano. The first meeting of the Minnesota Hispanic Democrats will be held then and we can decide on our candidate.

You may call me at my home 522 9161 for particulars.

Sincerely,



Marcela Trujillo

cc: Rafael Esparza

Al Martinez

R. Nevilles (declined)

Jack Bethke

Al Lopez

Irene Gomez-Bethke

* These are all office numbers so call during the day.

* *When calling Jackie Slater, ask for the Council date on confirmation. We were given the wrong date.*

November 9, 1979

Honorable Albert J. Hofstede
Mayor, City of Minneapolis
127 City Hall
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55415

Dear Mayor Hofstede:

It has been brought to our attention that you have some hesitancy about reappointing Ms. Marcela Trujillo as Commissioner of M.H.R.A.

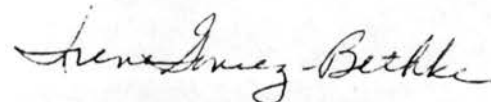
We believe Ms. Trujillo to be the best qualified person for this position. She has shown sensitivity in trying to meet the housing needs of all people, but especially those people in need of low and moderate income housing and people of color. We need a concerned and caring person like Ms. Trujillo on the MHRA Board.

If you are in doubt about reappointing Marcela Trujillo, we are hopeful you will remember the promise made to the Hispanic Advisory Committee last year (and which we accepted in good faith) that an Hispanic would be reappointed when her term was up.

Is Affirmative Action dead in the City of Minneapolis relative to Hispanic people?

If not, you can prove it by reappointment of Ms. Trujillo or appointing an Hispanic to the MHRA Board.

Sincerely,



Ms. Irene Gomez-Bethke
Chairman, Hispanic Advisory
Committee

cc; Alderman Louis DeMars, President, Mpls. City Council
Mr. Donald Fraser, Mayor-Elect

Region 1, Northwestern Minnesota; Region 4, West Central Minnesota; Region 5, North Central Minnesota; Regions 6E and 6W, Southwestern Minnesota and Region 7E, East Central Minnesota.

Panels will be appointed to reflect balances of art forms, experience of panelists and geographical representation. They will meet three-four times a year and members will be reimbursed for their travel expenses.

Written applications and nominations should contain names, addresses, telephones and information regarding experience and interests. They should be sent to the Minnesota State Arts Board, 314 Clifton Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55403. Applications and nominations will be accepted until April 8, 1977.

For further information contact Doug Bruce, MSAB at 874-1335.

Twin Cities Broadcasters

Community Issues Ascertainment Project

October 3, 1979

Ms. Irene Gomez-Bethke, Chairperson
Chicano-Latino Advisory Committee to
the Mayor of MPLS & City Council
4649 Decatur Ave. N.
New Hope, MN 55428

Dear Ms. Gomez-Bethke:

We appreciate your consenting to participate in our Community Leader meetings on Wednesday, June 27. The meetings are being held at the St. Paul Holiday Inn, located at the Marion Street exit of I-94 near the Capitol. Your session begins at 9:30 AM.

Twin Cities broadcasters periodically hold these meetings to ascertain what the important problems, needs and interests of our community are, as seen from the perspective of community leaders such as yourself. Your help in identifying the major problems and needs of the community help the broadcasters better serve the Twin City area by addressing those problems through existing or special programming. You will be introduced to the group of broadcasters and they will introduce themselves and their station affiliations. You will then be asked to discuss the major needs and problems of the community, as you see them. That community could be a neighborhood, the city, the metro area, the state, or the nation.

This meeting is not a press conference. Your remarks and those of others who meet with us will be included in each station's public file, but are not intended to be used on the air.

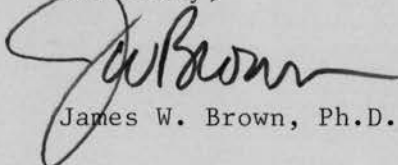
The Federal Communications Commission requires that the broadcasters do not lead you in your listing of community priorities. Therefore, the representatives you meet with will generally be listening and taking notes, rather than conducting an interview.

Some community leaders have used this meeting to evaluate the performance of broadcasters. This is not the purpose of the meetings unless you feel the media is one of the major community concerns and problems.

I should also advise you that this meeting is not designed solely to learn more about your organization, although one of the obvious perspectives you will be speaking from is that of your key position within your organization. WE ARE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN YOUR PERSONAL OVERALL ASSESSMENT, AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN, OF THE MOST PRESSING PROBLEMS AND NEEDS FACED BY THIS COMMUNITY.

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the ascertainment process. I think you will find it a useful and enjoyable experience. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,



James W. Brown, Ph.D.

James W. Brown, Project Coordinator

5328 35th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55417

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Twin Cities Broadcasters

Community Issues Ascertainment Project

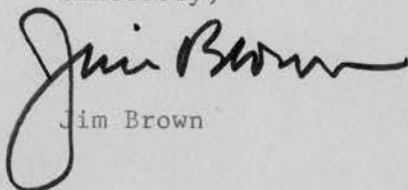
October 5, 1979

To: All Community Leader Participants

In my letter that I just sent you detailing the location and time of your meeting with the Twin Cities Broadcasters, I neglected to specify the date. The meetings will be this Wednesday October 10, in the Sibley suites of the St. Paul Holiday Inn. The St. Paul Holiday Inn is located near the Marion Street exit of I-94 and the Capitol.

I look forward to meeting you there.

Sincerely,



Jim Brown

James W. Brown, Project Coordinator

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November 7, 1979

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Mrs. Irene Bethke
4649 Decatur Ave.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55428

Dear Boardmembers:

We are writing you in support of the ANGF Festival VII which we at the Mexican American Cultural Center are working to coordinate in San Antonio. Arrangements have been made with Trinity University to provide 300 bed-spaces and workshop rehearsal rooms for the summer of 1980. We wish to extend our sincere interest and hospitality for your December ANGF board meeting in San Antonio. This should be a very effective work session and we at the Center hope to make further progress with you on this important program.

We would further wish to relate our recognition of the professional effort of Mr. Gonzalez. Through his perseverance and follow-through we were able to work out a grant proposal for the National Endowment for the Arts. It is to the credit of ANGF to have such a response individual as member of the Board. We can only anticipate stronger follow-through by the other members who make the December board meeting.

Respectfully yours,



Sister Teresa Jean Peña

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1800 Olson Memorial Highway
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55411
(612) 374-2996

September 10, 1979

Mr. Robert Drew,
Deputy Director of Redevelopment
Minneapolis Housing & Redevelopment
Authority
217 South Third Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

In re: Terms and conditions of new lease for
1800 Olson Memorial Highway

Dear Mr. Drew:

We, the Board of Directors of Centro Cultural Chicano, have reviewed your letter/method of computing the proposed rental amount as well as the option price.

The following recommendations will outline our counter-proposal with regard to the terms and conditions of a new lease.

We would be responsible for the maintenance, upkeep, security and utilities as well as any remodeling necessary for our operations. In addition to this, the MHRA staff will assist our group where possible in the securing of the necessary grants, loans, etc., needed for remodeling. Also, to assist us in the design of the Center's space should this be requested.

- That the MHRA lease the facilities at 1800 Olson Highway to our group for the remaining four months of 1979 at the original price of \$400.00 per month, plus utilities.
- Whereas, the first six months of 1980 the lease payments would be increased by an additional \$125.00 per month or \$525.00, plus utilities. Thereby, allowing our organization the opportunity to work said figures into our 1980 budget.
- That the remaining six months of 1980's lease payments would be charged to the total amount requested by the MHRA at \$673.00 per month, plus utilities.
- Whereas, all payments made by our organization shall be applied toward the purchase of the building based on the appraisor-established market value for the structure and land plan requirements which establishes \$76,500.00 as the option to buy the property. Said payments shall be made for that two-year period.

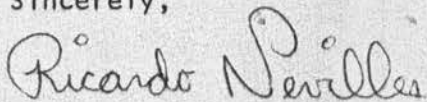
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Mr. Robert Drew
September 10, 1979
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In summary, the Board is recommending that the MHRA lease the facilities at 1800 Olson Memorial Highway to our group for \$1,600.00 for the remaining four months of 1979. Whereas, the first six-month rental payment shall be increased by an additional \$125.00 or \$3,150.00. Thereafter, the payments will reflect the amount requested by the MHRA (\$4,038.00) for the ending fiscal year of 1980. The above figures do not reflect the utilities cost as an addition to rental payments.

Once you have reviewed this proposal, the Board is requesting a meeting to discuss it in detail before it is submitted to the MHRA commissioners.

Sincerely,



RICARDO NEVILLES,
Executive Director

RN:pc

cc: Felino de la Pena (Chairperson)
2117 2nd Avenue, South
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404

Francisco Guzman (1st Vice-Chairman)
1208 Portland Avenue, South
St. Paul, Minnesota 55104

Ramon Rocha (2nd Vice-Chairman)
2200 73rd Court, North
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota 55444

✓Trene Bethke (Secretary)
4649 Decatur Avenue, North
New Hope, Minnesota 55428

Eduardo Villalon (Treasurer)
c/o Radio Station KDAN
P.O. Box 159
Woodbury, Minnesota 55055

Ms. Marcela Trujillo,
MHRA Commissioner
814 Penn Avenue, North
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55411



MINNEAPOLIS HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
217 SOUTH THIRD STREET MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA 55401

JAMES R. LEMLEY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PHONE 612-348-2511

July 31, 1979

Mr. Ricardo Nevilles, Executive Director
Centro Cultural Chicano, Inc.
1800 Olson Highway
Minneapolis, MN 55411

Dear Ricardo:

Subject: Terms and Conditions of New Lease - 1800 Olson Highway

I agreed at our last meeting on July 17, to put the terms of our offer to lease the entire building with the exception of the space occupied by N.R.R.C. and W.H.O. to your organization. I apologize for not getting back to you sooner, but I have been out sick for the past week. The attached sheet basically outlines the staffs method of computing the proposed rental amount as well as the option price. Basically we are proposing to rent the building to your organization for \$8,080.00 per year or \$1/sq. ft./year on a triple net basis. You would be responsible for the maintenance, upkeep, security and utilities as well as any remodeling necessary for your operations. This allows the Authority to rent you the space at the cheapest possible rate and allows you to control your expenses directly. The building was also appraised for sale and the appraisor established a fair market value for the structure and land at \$90,000.00. This price was discounted an additional 15% to MHRA restrictions and plan requirements which establishes \$76,500.00 as the option price. Both of the above offers would have to be approved by our Board of Commissioners once they were accepted by your group and a new lease would be drawn up at that time.

In summary, the staff is recommending that the MHRA lease the facilities at 1800 Olson Highway to your group for \$8,080.00 per year for two years. Also included would be an option to buy the property for \$76,500.00, for that two year period. We feel the rental rate reflects the condition of the building as well as the occupancy portions of the building by W.H.O. and N.R.R.C. In addition to this, the MHRA staff will assist your group where possible in the securing of the necessary grants, loans etc., needed for remodeling. We will also assist you in the design of the centers' space should you want us to.

Once you have discussed this proposal with your Board, please feel free to call me and discuss any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Victor
Director of Engineering

CC: R. Drew
M. Schwab

COMMISSIONERS: RICHARD H. JEFFERSON, CHAIRMAN DONALD P. EARLY, ANTHONY J. SCALLON
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Economic Rent Calculations - 1800 Olson Highway

Total building area 10,100 sq. ft.
Net rentable area $\frac{x80\%}{8,080 \text{ sq. ft. (4,040 each floor)}}$

Area

1st floor 4,040 @ 2.45 sq. ft. = \$9,898
lower level 4,040 @ 2.20 sq. ft. 8,888

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|---|-----------------------------|
| Total Gross Rent | \$18,786 |
| Less Vacancy Allowance (5.5%) | (1,036) |
| Less Annual Operating Expenses | <u>(6,971)</u> |
| Economic rent for triple-net lease-tenant paying exp. & util. | 10,779 |
| Less 25% discount for W.H.O. & N.R.R.C. space and expenses | (2,695) |
| NET RENT | \$ 8,084 or \$1/sq. ft./yr. |

- (1) Not normally included for single use building
(2) Includes 1,700 deduction for taxes - not an expense for them

Option to Purchase Calculations

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|-------------------|----------|-----------------|
| Appraisal: | land | \$ 9,000 |
| | building | <u>81,000</u> |
| Fair Market Value | | \$90,000 |
| less 15% | | <u>(13,500)</u> |
| Option Price | | \$76,500 |

Insurance must be paid by Centro

4 #6,971
#5,200.-
#12,171.

673 per. mo.

TOTAL EXPENSES
\$ 14,000.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
TWIN CITIES

Program Office
Coffman Memorial Union
300 Washington Avenue S.E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455
(612) 373-7600

February 22, 1979

Hermana en la causa;

With this letter we would like to personally thank you for participating by stimulating thinking and discussion in our winter, Hispanic Women's Film and Discussion Series. Your representation as a community supporter here at CUPC Chicano Cultural Affairs helped us all in reflecting and strengthening our awareness and unity. We hope the feelings generated by the films and discussions will stay with us as support in our activism in the community and here at the University of Minnesota.

Again, thank you.

Unidas en la huelga,

Linda A. Ceballos Samels
CUPC-Chicano Cultural Affairs

Marlene Vernon
CUPC-Chicano Cultural Affairs

Sandra Vargas
Community Representative

Marcela Trujillo
Professor, Chicano Studies Dept.



NATIONAL HISPANIC HOUSING COALITION

810 EIGHTEENTH STREET, N.W. SUITE 705
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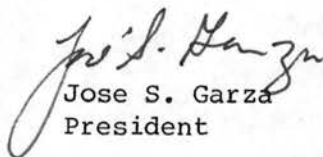
December 10, 1979

Ms. Irene Gomez Bethke
Centro Cultural Chicano
1800 Olson Memorial Highway
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55411

Dear Ms. Bethke:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Executive Identification and Development Program. Please note that the deadline for application is December 14, 1979, so it must be returned to HUD by express mail. Let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Jose S. Garza
President

JSG:mcr
Enclosures



Migrant Health Service, Inc.

Townsite Centre

810 - 4th Ave. S.

Moorhead, Minnesota 56560

Tel. 218-236-6502

October 1, 1979

Ms. Irene Gomez-Bethke
4649 Decatur Avenue North
New Hope, Minnesota 55428

Dear Ms. Gomez-Bethke:

I am sorry that I did not have more of an opportunity to discuss the Migrant Health Service, Inc. (MHSI) program with you at the end of the meeting of the Spanish-Speaking Affairs Council.

However, I am enclosing a copy of the grant proposal which was recently approved by the Minnesota State Health Department. This proposal will give you an idea of the MHSI program, which is designed to provide services on a seasonal basis.

As you will note, our service area does not include the Metro-counties surrounding Minneapolis and Saint Paul. It is my understanding that the group Hispanos en Minnesota received \$50,000 of the appropriation allocated by the legislature to MHSI to develop a program for the Metro area.

Therefore, our funding level under the Community Health Services Act has remained the same as the previous three years. With the present inflationary trend, we will have to economize as much as possible in order to continue to provide as much direct patient care as possible to the migrants in the counties served by MHSI.

I will be meeting with Mr. Alberto Hernandez-Alcala, Executive Director of Hispanos en Minnesota in October to discuss methods of coordinating the two programs.

If you have any specific questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Margaret Marek

Margaret Marek
Executive Director

MM:mt

Encl:

May 23, 1980

Irene Gomez De Bethke
4649 Decatur Ave, No.
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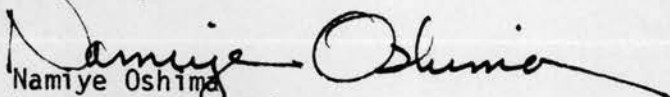
Dear Irene,

On behalf of WCCO-TV, I wish to thank you again for taking time to participate in our ascertainment interviews.

Discussions with community leaders such as yourself are most valuable to channel 4 in determining our programming to the community.

We hope that you will feel free to contact us at 612-330-2495, with any thoughts or recommendations you may have.

Cordially,


Namiye Oshima
Producer/Assoc. Dir.
Community Affairs

It was good to see you again, hope your presentation goes well, You're an articulate speaker and should be doing that more often. Let me know if I can help you in any way.



JOAN ANDERSON GROWE
Secretary of State

MARK WINKLER
Deputy Secretary of State

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February 5, 1980

Dear Very Important Person:

Will you help make Minnesota a leader in the number of people participating in the political process? February 26th is Precinct Caucus night in Minnesota. Voter turnout is related to our ability to get the message across to encourage attendance at caucuses.

You're probably wondering why we're writing to you about voter turnout. It's simple--you're a person of high visibility in our state; what you do makes news. And, we'd like to involve you in a newsworthy endeavor. All we ask is your cooperation and a bit of your time.

To promote voter participation, our group--representatives of the Independent-Republican, Democratic-Farmer-Labor, and American Parties, the League of Women Voters, and Urban Concerns is sponsoring a gathering on February 22, 1980, at the State Capitol at 10 a.m. We're asking that a select group of celebrities, like yourself, gather to publicize the importance of Precinct Caucuses. We'll meet in the Governor's reception room, serve coffee, present you with a caucus kit and ask you to participate in a mock precinct caucus. We think you'll enjoy the opportunity to promote participation and meet many of your elected officials. We also hope the media will take an interest in your participation.

Please respond by February 15, 1980, to Grace Haukoos, Office of Secretary of State, (612) 296-9217. We'll be happy to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Joan Anderson Growe
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Secretary of State

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MAYOR DONALD M. FRASER

city of lakes

October 6, 1980

Mr. Raphael Esparza
2022 Park Avenue, Apt. #106
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404

Dear Mr. Esparza:

Thank you for contacting my office with your concerns about the method used in filling the temporary affirmative action assistant position.

In investigating, my office learned that you were one of several individuals who interviewed for the position. As is often the case a difficult choice had to be made among candidates.

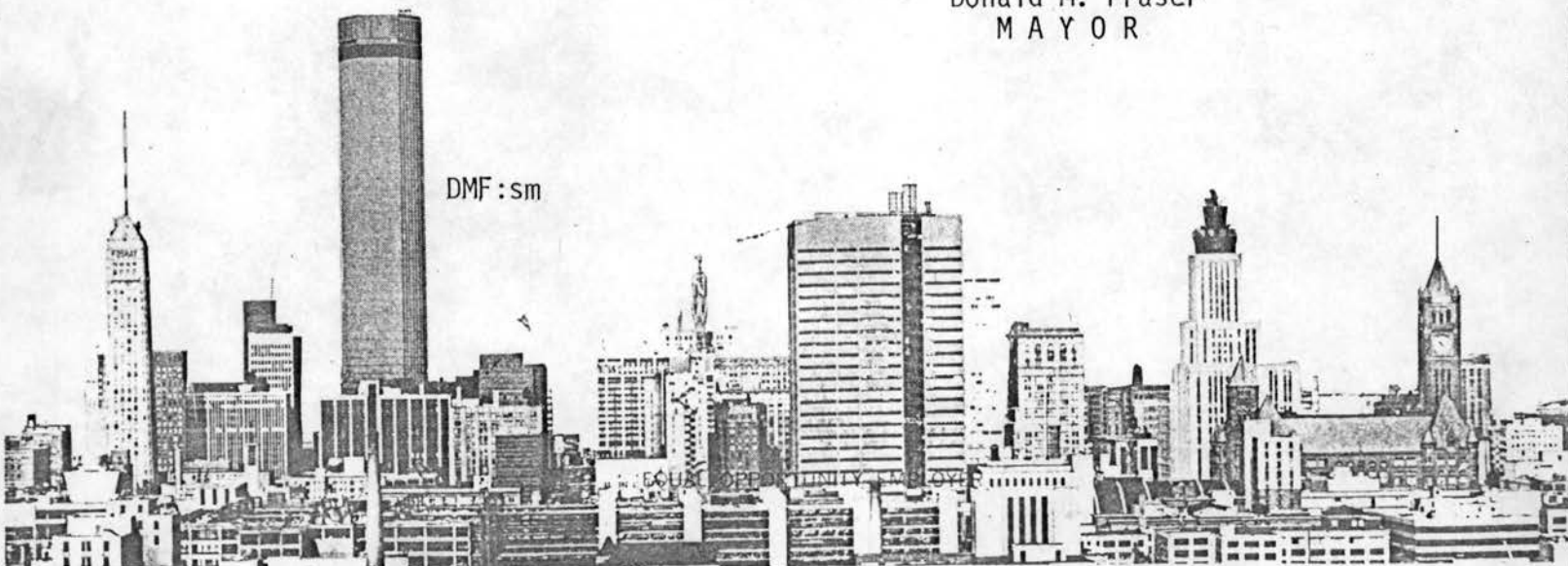
The Civil Service Commission will be conducting an examination to fill the permanent position of affirmative action assistant in the near future. You should contact Robbie Perl, 312 3rd Avenue South (348-2292) for an application.

Please let me know if I or my office can be of further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Donald M. Fraser
MAYOR

DMF:sm



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August 8, 1980

Mayor O. J. Oksa, Kaupunginjohtaja
Kuopion Kaupunki
Kaupunginkanslia
Kaupungintalo PL 228 70101 Kupio 10
FINLAND

Dear Mayor Oksa:

Thank you for your letter of greetings of July 23rd.

You in Kupio are good correspondents keeping us informed of your city's activities.

As a small return I would like you to have a picture book of Minneapolis which has pictures of our City Hall, and will serve as a reminder of your trip here.

I appreciate your invitation to visit Kupio and hope that some day it may be arranged.

Sincerely,

Donald M. Fraser
MAYOR

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Enc.

cc: Joan Polivka

MAYOR DONALD M. FRASER

minneapolis

city of lakes

February 27, 1980

Ms. Irene Gomez-Bethke
4741 Zealand Avenue North
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55428

Dear Ms. Gomez-Bethke:

I shall be the liaison between the Mayor's Office and the Hispanic Advisory Committee. An organizational meeting of the committee will be held on Wednesday, March 12th, at 7 p.m., in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, Room 127.

Please call me at 348-2100 between 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. if you have any questions or cannot attend this meeting.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Williams

Mary Lou Williams
Administrative Aide

MLW:bt



MAYOR DONALD M. FRASER

minneapolis

city of lakes

February 27, 1980

Ms. Irene Gomez-Bethke
4741 Zealand Avenue North
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55428

Dear Ms. Gomez-Bethke:

I am very pleased to appoint you to the Hispanic Advisory Committee to the Mayor and City Council. I believe you have an excellent background for service on this important committee. Thank you for volunteering your time and talent.

Your appointment is for the period from March 1, 1980 through February 28, 1982.

Mary Lou Williams, Administrative Aide, will serve as liaison between my office and the committee. She will be in touch with you concerning your first meeting.

Sincerely,

Donald M. Fraser
MAYOR

DMF:bt

