Veldran, Lisa

From: Alex Ramirez [enriqueallstar@yahoo.com]

Sent: Saturday, September 06, 2008 5:52 PM

To: Veldran, Lisa

Subject: Letter of Recommendation for Deborah Ann Speckmann

Good Evening,

My name is Alexandrea Speckmann-Ramirez. I am writing to urge you to have my mother Deborah be the interim aldreman in district 7. She has taken a great interest in Madison, and cares deeply about what happens to its residents. I know that she will work with council members to better serve our city in the months to come. Thank you, and I look forward to hearing you decision.

Alexandrea Speckmann-Ramirez

Veldran, Lisa

From: Ragland, Enis

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 11:04 AM

To: Veldran, Lisa

Cc: 'Deborah Ann Speckmann'

Subject: Deborah Speckmann Alder Candidate for the 7th District

Dear Alderperson Bruer,

I write this letter of recommendation on behalf of Ms. Deborah Speckmann to fill the remaining term of Alder Zach Brandon in the Seventh Aldermanic District in the City of Madison.

I have known Deborah as a professional and personal friend for more than ten years. During that time I have found her to have broad experience and a great aptitude for communicating her ideas to others.

She has distinguished herself with her enthusiastic commitment to the Madison community through her volunteer activities. She is a creative problem-solver and take-charge person, skills needed to be an effective alderperson.

I have a high regard for Ms. Speckmann and her abilities and I am impressed with her community commitment. Please give her your highest consideration for the position of Alderperson for the Seventh District in the City of Madison.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide you with additional information.

Enis T. Ragland Interim Supervisor Office of Community Services Municipal Building, Room 225 215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd Madison, WI 53703-3388 608 266-6520 Phone 608 261-9626 Fax eragland@cityofmadison.com

September 9, 2008

Common Council Attn. Lisa Veldran 210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Room 417 Madison, WI 53703

Dear Common Council Members:

This letter comes to you as a letter of support for Deborah Ann Speckmann, as she seeks to serve as the Interim Alder for the 7th Aldermanic District, being vacated by Zachariah Brandon. It is my distinct honor and privilege to support Deborah in her effort. She is has been an avid political participant fighting to ensure those voices of all are heard.

Deborah has a long history as a community activist. She has served with me in the NAACP, as the First Vice President for the NAACP, and she served with integrity. She has proven that she is fiscally responsible and accountable for her actions. Most of all, she has shown care, concern and compassion for he fellow citizens, as she has not only served by giving her self and her time, she has provided monetary resources to ensure that some of our children and families of lesser means have been able to participate in meaningful activities, that they would have otherwise been unable to do so. She has been involved in District 7 with the Triad and RSVP and she has a strong desire to help make the southwest side of Madison a better place for everyone to live. I believe she can help to make a real difference and is a capable facilitator for bringing the community together.

Deborah is sure to be an asset and a catalyst to ensuring that District 7 is a district with an alder that listens to and serves all of the residents residing in the District. She is one of the most active citizens I know. I encourage you to select her as the Interim Alder for District 7.

Thank you for considering my request. I hope you find Deborah's credentials, dedication and service worthy of awarding her the appointment as Interim Alder for District 7.

Sincerely,

Earnestine Moss Earnestine Moss Community Activist

Deborah Ann Speckmann

To: Subject: Iveldran@cityofmadison.com/council FW: Deborah Speckmann-Letter of Support for Council Member-District 7

-----Original Message----From: Mary Stamstad [mailto:rmstam@yahoo.com] Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2008 1:11 PM To: daspeckmann@charter.net Subject: Fw: Deborah Speckmann-Letter of Support for Council Member-District 7

> From: Mary Stamstad <rmstam@yahoo.com> > Subject: Deborah Speckmann-Letter of Support for Council Member-District 7 > To: lveldran@cityofmadison.com/council > Date: Monday, September 8, 2008, 10:33 AM > Hello: > I support Deborah's appointment for Alder. I am a > resident of District 7 and have been disappointed with the > lack of response from the outgoing alder. I know Deborah > will be responsive to the needs of the neighborhoods. I have > worked with her on the Triad and Citizen Advocacy Programs > and find her to be very knowlegeable and an advocate for our > citizens.She has the skills and background to be an > outstanding addition to our city council. > Mary Stamstad

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