

July 11, 2018

Common Council President
Ald. Samba Baldeh
Room 417, City-County Building
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard
Madison WI 53703

Dear Common Council President Baldeh,

I, Susan Hamblin, am interested in filling the position to be vacated by Alderperson Mark Clear, District 19.

My reason for applying is to use my long standing commitment to public service to insure solid representation on the Common Council for the residents of District 19 during this important transitional time, especially during the impending 2019 budget process.

I was elected and served five terms on the Common Council from 1991-2001. During that time, I served as Council President, President Pro Tem, and even acting mayor for two months, along with numerous committees and commissions.

If appointed, I would be able to effectively represent my constituents from day one. I know most of District 19, as that was part of my district when I was alder and I am familiar with the Spring Harbor neighborhood as that is an area assigned to Glenn Stephens School where our children attended. I know and understand city government and the budget process. Because I moderated all the District Report Budget shows in the past few years, I am familiar with current issues related to the budget. I have a reputation for always doing my 'homework', studying the issues and weighing the long term implications of decisions. I am a proven leader with demonstrated commitment, diligence and integrity. I have lived in my current neighborhood for the past 37 years and consider Madison my home. My husband and I are empty nesters, retired, and I have the time to serve. I would be honored to be appointed alder for the 19th District.

My goal during this important transitional time is to advocate for the constituents of District 19, especially during the upcoming budget process. If appointed, I would only serve through the April election and not seek election for the office of District 19 Alder.

Thank you and your Executive Committee for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Education University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
Master of Science - Curriculum and Instruction, 1973
University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire
Bachelor of Science – Education, 1969
Wisconsin Professional Educator License – current

Public Service Experience Producer and Moderator, “District Reports” City Cable T.V., 2002-present
Girl Scout Board of Directors, 2002-2004
Aldersperson, City of Madison, 1991-2001
National League of Cities Policy Steering Committee on Human Needs, 1993-2001
Acting Mayor, City of Madison, February-April, 1994
President, Madison City Council, 1993-1994,
President Pro-Tem, Madison City Council, 1997-1998
Diocesan Board of Education, 1988-1994 (President, 1989-1991)
St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Council, 1984-1988 (President 1986-1988)
St. Thomas Aquinas Marriage Preparation Facilitator, 1982-2014
Glen Stephens School, Redistricting Committee and Volunteer Bus Coordinator, 1988-1995

Teaching Experience Master Teacher – Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, 2013 to present
Mentor Teacher-Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD), 2012 -2017
Teacher Leader-Social Studies – K-12, MMSD, 2006-2012
Eighth Grade U.S. History Teacher – MMSD, 1997-2006
Seventh Grade Teacher – MMSD 1996-97
Substitute Teacher – MMSD, 1995-1996
Sixth Grade Teacher – Sussex, WI, 1971-1979
Fifth Grade Teacher – Eau Claire, WI, 1970-1971
Sixth Grade Teacher – Chippewa Falls, WI, 1969-1970

Related Teaching Experience Primary Reviewer-American Girl, LLC, 2013-2014
Project Director, co-author, publisher – third grade textbook and
Teacher’s Edition, *Madison-City of Four Lakes*, 2007-2012
Project Director, Teaching American History Grant Program –
“Building Informed Citizens” (\$997,469), 2007-2010
Teaching American History Grant Program Advisory Committee Member,
“Life During Wartime” 2008-2011
Project Coordinator, Madison Community Foundation Grant (\$20,000), 2010-2011
Project Coordinator, Evjue Grant (\$9800), 2008-2009
Project Coordinator, Foundation for Madison Public Schools Grant, (\$10,000), 2008-2009
Project Coordinator, Aristos Grant, (\$9,900), 2007-2008
University of Wisconsin – Letters and Science-School of Education
Committee on Social Science in Teacher Education, 2008
Wisconsin Historical Society, Office of School Services, Advisory Board Member, 2007-2012
Adaptive School Collaborative Group training, 2010-2011
“We the People” Teacher Seminar at Center for the Constitution at James
Madison’s Montpelier, June, 2011
Colonial Williamsburg Teacher Institute – July, 2008

Honors Aristos Scholar-2008-2011 (MMSD Superintendent’s internal think tank)
Nominee of the MMSD Distinguished Service Award - 2010
Distinguished Teacher of Teachers Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2005
25 Most Influential People, *Madison Magazine*, 1994
Executive Register, *In Business Magazine*

Personal PTO-Parent Volunteer in schools, 1986-2001
Married, three grown children