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To Whom It May Concern:

Serving my Tallahassee community would be a great honor. As a native Tallahasseean, I would cherish giving service to our local community to seek solutions to improve the quality of life for all who call Tallahassee home, and for those who visit our fair city. Working with various citizen groups; non-profit; and community organizations has given me a greater view and appreciation of our community and the challenges it faces, and thus I would like to be considered for the interim seat upon the Tallahassee City Commission. I feel serving Tallahassee in this capacity would be an extension of my commitment and participation in community building that impacts our fellow citizens. My primary concern revolves around economic equality and opportunity for ALL citizens. If we are to be a great city, we must seek ways to create a tide that lifts all boats. Creating opportunity for people to sustain and improve their lives is critical to the work of the Commission.

In addition to serving as a Director for National Science Foundation program at Florida A&M University, I also seek to positively impact the local quality of life through community engagement. I truly believe that Tallahassee is unique in that everyday people can **really** have a voice in what happens in their city. Believing in the power of partnership, my concern is founded in the continuous improvement for the quality of life of all citizens in the greater Tallahassee area. My journey as a citizen has led me to work towards being integrally involved in our community working through the various public and private community partners to make Tallahassee a great place for all who call it home.

An active citizen within the Tallahassee community, I seek to be a champion of community engagement, dedicating much of personal time to the arts; education; and economic vitality as a vehicle to enriching the quality of life of the Tallahassee community. I believe my community commitment can be evidenced by my involvement with several community and civic endeavors in the Tallahassee area including:

- **Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra – Board Member**
- **Ladies Learning to Lead (Non-profit) Board Member**
- **Downtown Redevelopment Committee – Citizens Advisory Board**
- **WFSU Public Media – Council Member**
- **Knight Creative Communities Institute – 2014 Catalyst Class**
- **Greater Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce - Member**
- **Economic Club of Florida – Committee Member**
- **Florida Tax Watch - Member**
- **Mary Brogan Museum of Art and Science- Former Board**
- **Grace Mission Episcopal Outreach Ministry (Former Board)**
- **Diocesan Council Member for the Episcopal Diocese of Florida-Board Member**
- **Southeast Evaluation Association – Former Board**

I hold a Bachelors of Arts degree in Business Administration from Flagler College. I live in Tallahassee with my wife Pamela. We have two children Brooks (son) and Clarke(daughter) both enrolled in college.

Thank you,

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Objective *I seek a professional career that allows me to positively impact the quality of life for people locally; nationally; and globally.*

Education

Tallahassee Community College
August 2001, A.S. -Accounting Technology

Flagler College
May 2003. B.A. – Business Administration

Experience

Florida A&M University: Florida Georgia Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation

Associate Director 2010-Present: Responsible for overall management of programmatic; fiscal; reporting; administrative; and operational activities of a 14-member alliance of institutions of higher education to increase the quantity and quality of STEM degree recipients from underrepresented populations within Georgia and Florida. Managing administrative staff and campus coordinators. This is an initiative of the National Science Foundation with an average annual budget of $1.8 million.
Advocating and building collaborative efforts while engaging stakeholders, including reporting to administration of Florida A&M University (lead institution) along with university senior administrators of each partner institution, to advance the mission of the organization. Facilitate and conduct strategic planning activities; building program awareness through dissemination; and relationship building with current and potential stakeholders. Constant monitoring of effective program implementation; progression toward goal attainment; and evaluating/analyzing program outcomes.

Florida A&M University: Florida Georgia Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation

Budget and Program Manager 1999-2010: Responsible for the overall fiscal administration, management, and compliance; program monitoring and reporting management. Additional duties included budget development; subcontracting; and billing practices. These responsibilities required constant engagement and collaboration with the funding agency; offices of: sponsored research; general counsel; and controller units at Florida A&M University, and with the 13 institutional partners.

Coopers and Lybrand (currently PwC) – Atlanta, GA

Tax Compliance Jr. Associate: 1993-1995: Responsible for corporate and partnership tax preparation including development of financial statements for tax purposes; developing depreciation/amortization schedules; creating reference working papers for firm management/leadership staff; quality assurance practices and researching applicable IRS rules and regulations (Federal and State).

Non Profit Participation

- Current/Prior Board Service includes: Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra; Downtown Redevelopment Committee; Ladies Learning to Lead (L3); WFSU Community Council; Grace Mission Outreach Ministries; Episcopal Diocese of Florida; Mary Brogan Museum