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MURIEL BOWSER

MAYOR FEB -6 2017

The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia  
John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, 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 5043 of the Commission on Health Equity Amendment Act of 2016, effective October 8, 2016 (D.C. Law 21-160; 63 DCR 10852), which established the Commission on Health Equity ("Commission"), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

Ms. Lori Kaplan  
1419 Columbia Rd NW  
Washington, DC 20009  
(Ward 1)


for appointment as a voting member with expertise in early learning and education to the Commission, filling a vacant seat, for a term to end February 1, 2019.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Muriel Bowser".  
Muriel Bowser

  
Chairman Phil Mendelson  
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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 appointment of Mr. Lori Kaplan. to the Commission on Health Equity.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the “Commission on Health Equity Lori Kaplan. Confirmation Resolution of 2017”.

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

Ms. Lori Kaplan  
1419 Columbia Rd NW  
Washington, DC 20009  
(Ward 1)

to serve as a voting member with expertise in early learning and education of the Commission on Health Equity, pursuant to section 5043 of the Commission on Health Equity Amendment Act of 2016, effective October 8, 2016 (D.C. Law 21-160; 63 DCR 10852), filling a vacant seat, and to serve for a term to end February 1, 2019.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

## Lori M. Kaplan

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### EDUCATION

George Washington University, M.Ed., 1986  
Antioch College, BA, 1974

### EXPERIENCE

**President & CEO, Latin American Youth Center (LAYC) 3/87 - present**

Responsibilities include oversight and coordination of development, program, financial, personnel, public relations and external affairs of multi-site, multi-service youth development organization in the District of Columbia and Maryland supporting 4,000 youth and family members annually. Currently, LAYC has a \$14 million budget, 200 full- and part-time staff, and 100 + volunteers.

**Founder, Next Step Public Charter School**

As founder of this boutique drop-out re-entry bilingual charter school, I served as Executive Director from 3/96 – 6/05, responsible for oversight of a public charter school founded by the Latin American Youth Center for teen parents, recent immigrants, and youth who have been expelled or dropped out of the public school system.

**Founder, LAYC Bilingual Montessori Public Charter School**

Responsibilities included start-up, chartering, and on-going support for the District of Columbia's only bilingual Montessori public charter school, founded by LAYC and which opened in September 2003.

**Founding Board Member and Board Chair** (through 2006), LAYC YouthBuild Public Charter School. Responsibilities included support for transformation of the LAYC YouthBuild program to a public charter school, which opened September, 2005. As founding chair of the Board of Directors, I have worked to build a strong leadership team with the school's Executive Director and Principal.

**Deputy Director, Latin American Youth Center, 12/80 - 3/87**

**Bilingual Counselor, National Puerto Rican Forum, 9/80 - 12/80**

**Academic Evaluator and Advisor, Beacon College, 1/80 - 5/81**

**Research Associate, National Network for Runaway Youth, 11/78 - 4/79**

**Research Associate, National Institute for Mental Health, 11/78 - 4/79**

**Program Coordinator - Foster Care, Special Approaches to Juvenile Justice, 5/76 - 11/77**

### MEMBERSHIPS, SELECTED

*DC Alliance for Youth Advocates, President, Board of Directors, 2005 – present*

*Capitol Area Food Bank, Member, Board of Directors, 2011 - present*

*Roundtable for Non-Profit Excellence, Board of Directors, 2002- 2009*

*DC Workforce Investment Board, appointed in 2000 by Mayor Williams*

*Chair, Youth Investment Committee*

*Leadership Washington, Board of Directors, 1994 - present.*

*Consortium on Child Welfare, Board of Directors, 1996 - present,*

*YOUTH RADIO, Berkeley, California, co-chair Board of Directors, 1993 - present*

AWARDS, SELECTED

Lewis Hine Award Honoree, by National Child Labor Committee  
Washingtonian of the Year, by Washingtonian Magazine  
Distinguished Community Leadership Award, by Leadership Washington and the National  
Community Leadership Association  
District of Columbia Recognition Award for Service, by Mayor Barry

PUBLICATIONS

*Needs Assessment of Latino Immigrant Youth* (Latin American Youth Center, 1986)  
Co-authored with Dr. Ross-Sheriff, Howard University  
*Alternatives in Foster Care for Adolescents* (National Institute of Mental Health, 1984)



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## Lori Kaplan



Lori Kaplan, M.Ed., is the President & CEO of the Latin American Youth Center.

In her leadership role, Ms. Kaplan is charged with the oversight and development of a youth-based program which seeks to guide low-income youth to better opportunities while creating organizations and schools. Ms. Kaplan is the founder of both the Next Step Public Charter School and the Latin American Youth Center Bilingual Montessori Public Charter School. She is also a member of several organizations including, The Nonprofit Roundtable, D.C. Alliance for Youth Advocates, Youth Radio and Leadership Washington.

A Ward 1 resident, Ms. Kaplan received a Bachelor of Arts from Antioch College, and a Master of Education from The George Washington University.



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



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

**To:** Lolita Alston, Steve Walker  
**From:** Betsy Cavendish  
**Date:** January 18, 2017  
**Subject:** Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions appointing Regina Davis Moss, Kamilah Wood, Ambrose Lane Jr., Joseph Wright, Lori Kaplan, and Autumn Saxton-Ross as members of the Commission on Health Equity

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

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Elizabeth Cavendish