

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

# MURIEL BOWSER MAYOR

FEB 1 4 2019

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 4 of the Food Policy Council and Director Establishment Act of 2014, effective March 10, 2015 (D.C. Law 20-191; D.C. Official Code § 48-313), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

Ms. Reyes 6312 9th Street NW Washington, DC 20011 (Ward 4)

for appointment as a voting member of the Food Policy Council, replacing Jonas Singer, for a term to end March 1, 2022.

Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience for Ms. Reyes, together with proposed resolutions 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.

Since ely,

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 Ms. Emi Reyes as a member of the Food Policy Council.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Food Policy Council Emi Reyes Confirmation Resolution of 2019".

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

Ms. Emi Reves 6312 9th Street NW Washington, DC 20011 (Ward 4)

- as a voting member, in accordance with section 4 of the Food Policy Council and Director
- Establishment Act of 2014, effective March 10, 2015 (D.C. Law 20-191; D.C. Official Code §
- 48-313), and pursuant to section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979
- (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), replacing Jonas Singer, for a term to end
  - March 1, 2022.
    - Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
- upon its adoption, each to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.
  - Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

### **Emi Reyes**

#### **Experience**

# Microfinance Loan Officer and Underwriter | Latino Economic Development Center | Washington D.C. | March 2018-Present

- Responsible for underwriting and issuing small business loans for entrepreneurs in the DMV area who aspire to start or expand their businesses.
- Engage in organizational outreach and advocacy efforts to promote awareness of LEDC initiatives. Offer workshops to entrepreneurs in various stages of their business development to increase access to financial capital by raising awareness of the work of Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs).
- · Responsible for expanding LEDC involvement in Arlington County, Virginia.

## Microfinance Lending Intern | Latino Economic Development Center | Washington D.C. | 2017

- Support the outreach, preparation, and underwriting of small business and consumer loans with DC's small business lending team.
- · Develop first online client directory for LEDC lending clients.
- Develop new marketing products to engage and highlight past client successes with LEDC and attract new clients.
- · Support attracting sponsorship for the lending team's first client outreach event.

# Regional Operations Apprentice | Chipotle Mexican Grill | Albany, New York; Bethesda, Maryland; Washington, D.C. | 2012-2018

- Ensure that the company's culture is apparent throughout its business operations by leading day-to-day operations.
- · Manage budgets set by the Regional Director; closely monitoring the Profit and Loss Reports, Plan vs. Actual costs, and other reports monthly.
- · Build sales by implementing new marketing strategies.
- · Train managers on monthly reporting and how to use reports for team planning.
- · Train and prepare managers on Serve Safe® examinations and certifications.
- · Train and developing new hires.
- · Participate in personnel decisions, including hiring, transfers, terminations and promotions.

### Marketing Consultant | Aguilar Marble and Granite | Capital Heights, Maryland | 2017

- · Led marketing campaign for a family owned marble and granite company.
- · Created a company website and presence on Angie's List, a member and review-based platform for contractors to find clients.

#### Data Consultant | Village Capital | Washington, D.C. | 2017

- Oversaw migration of over ten years of data into Salesforce from A-Doc customer relationship management platform
- · Reviewed financial profile of candidates to ensure they met standards for admission.

#### Campaign Fellow | Obama for America | Virginia | 2012

 Responsible for organizing volunteers, phone banks and canvassing events in the greater Virginia area,

#### Entrepreneurship Trainer | Freelance | Seoul, South Korea 2011

• Responsible for organizing classes for women entrepreneurs seeking to learn conversational English.

#### Founder | Blue Carrot Farm at Bennington College | Bennington, Vermont 2010-2011

· Founded the college's first student farm in partnership with school administrators.

#### Ecotourism Consultant | Lost and Found Lodge | Chiriquí, Panama 2009-2010

· Worked with farmers to expand their tourism through increased social media presence and structural changes to their coffee grower network.

#### Project Coordinator | Habitat For Humanity | San Salvador, El Salvador 2008-2009

· Organized volunteer trips from Canada and the United States to El Salvador.

#### Languages

· Fully bilingual in Spanish and English

#### **Certifications & Professional Affiliations**

- ServSafe Restaurant Manager Certification
- ServSafe Montgomery County Allergens Certification
- Montgomery County Food Handler Certification

#### **Technical Skills**

- · Salesforce
- Workday
- · Wix
- PipeDrive
- Microsoft Suite

- Google Suite
- Aloha
- Taleo
- Menulink

#### **Education**

#### BACHELOR'S DEGREE | 2008-2011, 2016-2017 | BENNINGTON COLLEGE

- · Major: Political Science
- · Minor: Spanish and French
- · Related coursework: School Food Policy and Political Economy

#### HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA 2004-2008 | ST. TIMOTHY'S SCHOOL

Bilingual International Baccalaureate Diploma



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### **Emi Reyes**



Emi Reyes currently serves as a Small Business Loan Officer for LEDC.

A native of the Brightwood neighborhood in D.C., Ms. Reyes has years of involvement in the restaurant industry. Born into a family of Salvadorian immigrants who became restaurant owners, she has experienced firsthand the difficulties of owning a small business in D.C. Prior to joining the Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC), Ms. Reyes worked throughout Central America with farmers and organizations looking to establish an eco-tourism co-op. Most recently she worked for Chipotle Mexican Grill in various capacities both in the DMV area as well as in Albany, New York.

A Ward 4 resident, Ms. Reyes graduated from Bennington College in Vermont with a Bachelor in Political Science and minors of both French and Spanish.



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



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To:

Alana Intrieri, Steve Walker

From:

Betsy Cavendish

Date:

February 7, 2019

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Subject:

Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Evangelos (Spike)

Mendelsohn and Emi Reyes as members of the Food Policy Council

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

Elizabeth Cavendish