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MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

OCT 22 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 202 of the Homeland Security, Risk Reduction, and Preparedness Amendment Act of 2006, effective March 14, 2007 (D.C. Law 16-262; D.C. Official Code § 7-2271.02), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

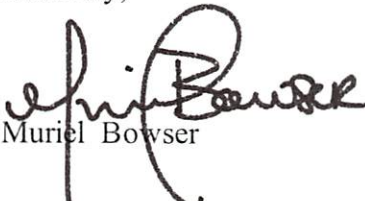
Mr. Philip McNamara
3104 16th Street NW, Apt B
Washington, DC 20010
(Ward 1)

for reappointment as a member of the Homeland Security Commission, for a term to end February 22, 2022.

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,


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 reappointment of Mr. Philip McNamara to the Homeland Security Commission.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Homeland Security Commission Philip McNamara Confirmation Resolution of 2019".

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

Mr. Philip McNamara
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(Ward 1)

as a member of the Homeland Security Commission, pursuant to section 202 of the Homeland Security, Risk Reduction, and Preparedness Amendment Act of 2006, effective March 14, 2007 (D.C. Law 16-262; D.C. Official Code § 7-2271.02), for a term to end February 22, 2022.

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.

PHILIP A. MCNAMARA

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Experienced leader with strong executive management skills successfully working within complex government and political organizations. Team oriented manager with a proven ability to coordinate with senior officials and facilitate timely decision making on complex issues. Strong track record of relationship building and working with individuals with diverse views to reach common ground. Effective communicator with experience in translating complicated issues into actionable plans in high-stress situations.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

Assistant Secretary for Partnerships & Engagement / Intergovernmental Affairs 2013-2017

- Direct engagement and develop strategies for state & local governments and elected officials, law enforcement, the private sector, colleges & universities and other stakeholders to partner with DHS.
- Serve as the Secretary of Homeland Security's senior representative to governors, mayors, county officials, tribal leaders and state homeland security advisors under Secretary Janet Napolitano and Secretary Jeh Johnson.
- Organize DHS outreach to private sector, state and local law enforcement, higher education community and advisory committees.
- Oversee the Department's annual multi-billion dollar grants programs, supporting state, urban areas, nonprofit agencies and private sector investments in preparedness efforts, including development of grant guidance, outreach to grantees and external communications strategy.
- Advocate the interests of state & local elected officials during policy development on issues as varied as emergency management, immigration, cybersecurity, intelligence sharing and border security.
- Spearhead coordination with the White House and federal agencies to work with state and local and whole community partners during natural disasters, national security incidents, and other threats.
- Lead over 50 state & local government affairs specialists across DHS.

Department Chief of Staff

2013-2014

- Managed the daily operations of the third largest department in the Federal government with 240,000 employees in more than 75 countries and 22 agencies.
- Directed the leadership transitions between Secretary Napolitano and Secretary Johnson.
- Managed the Department's \$60 billion budget development, strategy and implementation.
- Led the Department's interaction with the White House, including the Executive Office of the President, the National Security Council, and the Office of Management and Budget, and other federal agencies.
- Led team overseeing DHS-wide implementation of the 16-day 2013 government shutdown and subsequent re-opening.
- Prepared Secretary-nominee for Senate confirmation hearing. Developed a comprehensive report on DHS activities to identify critical issues for incoming leadership that would require immediate attention.
- Developed and executed major policy initiatives and roll-outs in conjunction with DHS components.
- Oversaw all Secretarial communications as well as external engagement with Congress, state and local governments, foreign countries and private sector partners.

Executive Director, Operations & Administration

2009-2013

- Managed a staff of 60 Federal employees to support the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, and Chief of Staff.

Planned and executed a \$17.5 million dollar budget for the Secretary's office, including travel funds.

- Implemented DHS-wide processes for managing internal communications and decision documents for the Secretary. Resolved policy conflicts and other differences amongst DHS senior leadership.
- Coordinated the written communication between the Secretary and Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs to Congress, governors, and other key homeland security partners.
- Directed the Department's official relationship with the National Security Council on the interagency policy development process.
- Administered the preparation and delivery of the Secretary's daily classified intelligence and operations brief and unclassified briefing books.
- Developed DHS policy on issues impacting the LGBT community such as DHS implementation of the repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell and the impact of DOMA on immigration issues. Served as the DHS LGBT liaison, coordinating DHS policy with the White House and managing stakeholder relationships.
- Established new management processes with the Office of Legislative Affairs to streamline the process of preparing, clearing and submitting over 150 witness statements to Congress each Congressional session. Processed the response to more than 1,000 post hearing Questions for the Record.

Democratic National Committee (DNC)

Director of Party Affairs and Delegate Selection

2002-2009

Deputy Director of Party Affairs and Delegate Selection

1998-2002

- Served under five DNC Chairmen as principal advisor and lead senior staff on Party rules and institutional procedures for National Committee and National Convention. Recognized as DNC expert on the delegate selection process and top liaison to State Democratic parties and presidential campaigns.
- Directed strategy in planning of historic 2008 presidential primary and caucus calendar, including the selection of Nevada and South Carolina as early states alongside Iowa and New Hampshire which opened the process to a broader more diverse range of voters.
- Staff Director for Rules and Bylaws Committee – the entity responsible for administering the presidential nominating process. Drafted rules that guide the nominating process, including the selection of 6,000 delegates and alternates to the Convention by 56 state and territorial Democratic Parties.
- Conducted outreach and communication with Members of Congress, elected officials, organized labor, State Democratic Party officials, and other progressive advocacy organizations.
- Directed the Convention standing committees on Credentials, Platform, and Rules for the 2000, 2004 and 2008 National Conventions.
- Planned multi-day public meetings in drafting the 2008 and 2004 National Platforms featuring more than 150 policy experts, elected officials, and other selected individuals. DNC liaison on drafting process with presidential campaigns.
- Responsible for office budget; direct supervision and hiring of six office staff along with interns and volunteers.
- Prepared necessary documentation, procedural analysis, and related correspondence to presidential campaigns, the media, and other interested parties.

ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

The White House – President Clinton

Domestic Policy Office, Office of Vice President Al Gore

1995

- As a Clinton White House intern, assisted with preparation of Vice President Gore's daily Briefing Book, by writing event and meeting memos focusing on Vice President's role and logistics.

EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

1997

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Journalism



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Philip McNamara



Philip McNamara was most recently the Assistant Secretary for Partnerships and Engagement at the United States Department of Homeland Security.

A proven homeland and public safety professional, Mr. McNamara has supported the Department of Homeland Security in various roles and capacities for eight years. In his most recent role, Mr. McNamara served as his department's chief representative to governors, mayors, county officials and tribal leaders. During his tenure, Mr. McNamara was responsible for educating stakeholders about current issues and initiatives, cultivate state and local support, and building partnerships to advance administration priorities. Prior to his role at DHS, Mr. McNamara served as the Director and Deputy Director of Party Affairs and Delegate Selection at the Democratic National Committee.

A Ward 1 resident, Mr. McNamara received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Massachusetts – Amherst.



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: September 26, 2019
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Karen Monaghan, Brad Belzak and Philip McNamara as members to the District of Columbia Homeland Security Commission

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Elizabeth Cavendish