MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(C)1

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss, and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 5, 2009

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

Diane Collins, Assistant Director
Clerk of the Board Division

Diane Collins

SUBJECT: Appointment of Mr. Ed McGowan to the Miami-Dade Addiction Services Board (ASB)

It is recommended that the Board consider the appointment of Mr. Ed McGowan to serve as a member of the Miami-Dade County Addiction Services Board (ASB.)

Section 2-422 of the Code provides that the Miami Coalition for a Safe & Drug Free Community submit to the County Commission the names of qualified candidates to fill private sector seats on the ASB. The Miami Coalition is recommending that Mr. McGowan be appointed to fill the one (1) vacant "private sector representative" seat that currently exist on the ASB.

Attached for your review is a copy of the request from Mr. Douglas W. Hughes, Executive Director of the Miami Coalition, recommending the appointment Mr. McGowan and Mr. McGowan's resume.

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Attachments

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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 14, 2009

To: The Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners

From: Douglas W. Hughes, Executive Director, The Miami Coalition

Subject: Appointment of Mr. Ed McGowan to the Miami-Dade County Addiction Services Board

The Miami Coalition for a Safe, Healthy and Drug Free Community respectfully requests the appointment of Mr. Ed McGowan to the Miami-Dade County Addiction Services Board. Mr. McGowan has over 20 years of experience in planning, development, implementation, monitoring and evaluating behavioral health and human service programs throughout the United States. Mr. McGowan has developed local to state-wide social service and behavioral health programs that target specific populations who are economically disadvantaged and lack access to a behavioral health support service network.

Mr. McGowan is currently the Director of Strategic Initiatives for Concept House, Inc. in Miami Florida. He has served as Vice President for a private human services performance management company specializing in the development and evaluation of behavioral health programs serving individuals receiving public assistance. Mr. McGowan served as the Executive Director and CEO of The Village South, a large residential behavioral health agency in Miami, Florida and as a Principal Investigator on numerous government funded demonstration programs focusing on individuals with substance abuse, mental health issues, and those at risk for HIV infection and other sexually transmitted diseases. In 2002 and 2003, he was part of the initial team of US AID workers who were deployed to Iraq under Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) to determine the suicide and other behavioral health risk factors of US and allied troops, develop risk identification, reduction strategies, prevention initiatives and training.

Mr. McGowan brings an extensive background in human services focused on very challenged populations. We are pleased to nominate him to the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners.

The Board of the Miami Coalition appreciates your consideration of this request. I am available at your convenience to answer any questions you may have regarding our nomination of Mr. McGowan. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the Miami Coalition or dhughes@miamicoalition.org

Ed McGowan

Ed McGowan has over 20 years of experience in the planning, development, implementation, monitoring and evaluating behavioral health and human service programs and services throughout the United States. Throughout his career, Mr. McGowan has developed social service and behavioral health programs that target specific populations who are economically disadvantaged and lack access to a behavioral health support service network. The programs range in size from initiatives that serve 20 individuals to programs and services that are implemented on a state wide basis by hundreds of practioners.

Currently, he is the Director of Strategic Initiatives for Concept House, Inc. in Miami Florida. Prior to joining Concept House, he served as a Vice President for Exemplar Human Services, LLC, a private human services performance management company specializing in the development and evaluation of behavioral health programs serving individuals receiving public assistance and possess multiple barriers to employment due to their behavioral health issues. During his career, he was the Executive Director and CEO of The Village South, a large residential behavioral health agency Miami, Florida, has served as a Principal Investigator on a number of government funded demonstration programs focusing on individuals with substance abuse and mental health issues, youth who were runaways and had co-occurring substance abuse and mental health diagnosis's and were at risk for HIV infection and other sexually transmitted diseases and women addicted to drugs and were in residential treatment with their dependent children.

In 2002 and 2003, Mr. McGowan was part of the initial team of US AID workers who were deployed to Iraq under Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) to determine the suicide and other behavioral health risk factors of US and allied troupes, develop risk identification, reduction strategies and prevention initiatives and train, monitor and evaluate the military's implementation of the initiative.

In his early career, Mr. McGowan worked in a number of New York City Mayoral administrations and focused on the development and implementation of behavioral health and social service programs that served individuals who were economically disadvantaged and possessed other behavioral health issues that prohibited them from achieving economic self sufficiency.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from State University College at Oswego, New York and a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Public Administration.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Concept House, Inc. – Miami, Florida

Director of Development 11-08 to Present

- Responsible for the Planning, development and implementation of programs focusing on behavioral health issues including substance abuse, mental health, homelessness, domestic violence and other individual and family centered problems.
- Represent the agency at community meetings and forums as well act as the legislative analyst to track behavioral health trends on the federal, state and local level.

Exemplar Human Services, LLC, Los Angeles, CA

Vice President 9-04 to 11-08

- Responsible for the Planning, development and implementation of large statewide and county programs focusing on behavioral health issues including welfare/public assistance, workforce development, substance abuse, mental health, homelessness, domestic violence and other family centered problems.
- Coordinate and supervise all start-up activities with senior state, city and municipal staff.
- Act as the liaison between Service PROVIDERS AND local and State elected officials, their staff and staff of city, county and state departments
- monitor and evaluate the progress of existing programs and contracts to insure best practices implementation, contract compliance, and customer satisfaction and planned outcome results.
- Directed a design team in the development of a participant tracking and verification system to meet the requirements of the reauthorized TANF legislation.

Arbor E & T – Los Angeles, California – (a division of ResCare, Louisville, KY, formerly Lockheed Martin State and Local Solutions)

Vice President – Strategic Initiatives - 1-01 to 8-04

- Initiated and coordinated the development of social service program analytic methodologies and evaluation strategies that apply performance management and best practices technologies to large service delivery providers. Clients included the state of California, the state of Arizona, the State of Indiana and the City of New York.
- Recommended service delivery strategies and developed customized program models to expand services and programs to economically disadvantaged individuals and their families.
- Developed recommendations for state and local officials on the utilization of specific evaluation methodologies that monitor and track the value and success of programs as well as the successful outcomes of clients.
- Operation Iraqi Freedom – 2002/2004 – assisted in the development, monitoring and evaluation of behavioral health risk identification and risk reduction strategies and prevention initiatives of us and allied TROUPES AND train, monitor and evaluate the military's implementation of the initiative.

The Village, 3180 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida

Chief Executive Officer - 10-94 - 1-01

- Responsible for the overall administrative and operational aspects of a large residential and community based behavioral health care center with multiple off site program locations.
- participated in the planning, development and preparation of proposals to Federal, State and local government entities for the agency.
- Supervise the implementation of new projects awarded to the agency
- Represent the agency at community meetings, conferences and other related functions.

NYC Office of the Mayor – Wildcat Service Corporation, 2 Washington Street, New York, New York

Vice President - Planning, Development and Government Relations 6/88 - 9/94

- Responsible for preparation and negotiations of all grants, contracts and special projects for this off budget authority with budget of approximately $ 140M
- Act as legislative liaison between wildcat and new york city, new your state and Federal funding sources as well as elected government officials and their staff
- Develop budgets for agency projects and monitor through completion of projects
- Work with various private and public foundations in development of programs for agency
- Responsible for all fund-raising activities, including direct mail, special events and corporate solicitations
- Coordinated and work directly with organizations Board of Directors and Mayor's Office on funded projects.

NYC OFFICE OF THE MAYOR – TWEED BUILDING – CITY HALL PARK - NEW YORK, NEW YORK

ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR 4/86 - 6/88

- RESPONSIBLE FOR RE-ORGANIZATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE, BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROJECTS
- ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES FOR LONG AND SHORT RANGE BUDGET PLANNING AS WELL AS SYSTEM FOR PROJECT SELECTION AND EVALUATION

NYC OFFICE OF THE MAYOR – TWEED BUILDING – CITY HALL PARK - NEW YORK, NEW YORK

MAYORAL AIDE 12/83 - 3/86

- RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OF THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS
- OVERSAW AND COORDINATED PREPARATION AND MAINTENANCE OF YEARLY OPERATION PROGRAM BUDGET
- RESPONSIBLE FOR GRANT DEVELOPMENT, PREPARATION, NEGOTIATION AND ADMINISTRATION
- MANAGED AND MONITORED PERFORMANCE OF PROGRAMS AND CONTRACTS TO INSURE FINANCIAL AND PROGRAM COMPLIANCE.

ONONDAGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL, 421 MONTGOMERY STREET, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT 3/80 - 12/83

- RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OF STATE AND FEDERALLY FUNDED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS (CETA) AS WELL THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES DESIGNED TO ASSIST ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES
- ESTABLISHED SPECIFICATIONS FOR COMPETITIVE SELECTION OF CONTRACTED SERVICES AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION SERVICE PROVIDERS
- DIRECTED INTER-DISCIPLINARY TEAM OF ACCOUNTANTS, PLANNERS AND DATA PROCESSING PROFESSIONALS. OVERSAW PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION FUNCTION OF AGENCY INCLUSIVE OF POSITION CLASSIFICATION, SELECTION AND LABOR RELATIONS.

ONONDAGA COUNTY OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, 421 MONTGOMERY STREET, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER 10/75 - 3/80

- RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OVERSIGHT OF FEDERALLY ASSISTED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
- RESPONSIBLE FOR PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION FUNCTIONS OF AGENCY SUPERVISED CONTRACTS
- ADMINISTRATION AND CONTRACT COMPLIANCE COMPONENTS OF DIVISION, INCLUDING AA AND EEO

EDUCATION – SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK – MAXWELL SCHOOL OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION – MPA

STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, OSWEGO, NEW YORK - BA POLITICAL SCIENCE

APPOINTMENTS

ARIZONA FAMILY SELF SUFFICIENCY COUNCIL – REVIEW AND RECOMMEND CHANGES TO THE DELIVERY OF SUPPORT SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH MULTIPLE BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT AND SEVERE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ISSUES – 2006, 2007

NEW YORK CITY MAYOR'S OFFICE TASK FORCE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007

PRINCIPAL – SAMHSA - THE VILLAGE WOMEN WITH CHILDREN TARGETED CAPACITY FOR HIV AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE - 1999-2001

PRINCIPAL – SAMHSA – THE VILLAGE WOMEN'S PERSONAL SUPPORT NETWORK AND STREET OUTREACH – 1996-2001

PRINCIPAL - US HHS – SAFE HAVEN CENTER FOR RUNAWAY AND HOMELESS YOUTH – 1995-2001

PRINCIPAL – US HHS – TOBY STREET OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR RUNAWAY AND HOMELESS YOUTH – 1995-2001

PRESIDENTS ADVISORY COUNCIL - PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ACT 1980, 1981, 1982

THE OPPORTUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS, NEW YORK, N.Y. – 2001 TO 2007

REFERENCES- WILL BE FURNISHED UPON REQUEST.