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MEMORANDUM

TO:	The Honorable Juan Fernandez Barquin, Clerk of the Court and Comptroller	DATE:	July 7, 2025
FROM:	The Honorable Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners	SUBJECT:	Special Task Force to Reduce Inefficiencies in Procurement Appointment

To ensure that the goal of the Special Task Force to Reduce Inefficiencies in Procurement (STRIP) is met, I am appointing Carolina Vester as the final member of the Task Force. I am confident that her professional experience will provide valuable insight as we continue working to identify meaningful improvements to our procurement processes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Cc: Honorable Mayor Daniella Levine Cava
Honorable Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman and
Members, Board of County Commissioners
Geri Bonzon-Keenan, County Attorney
Gerald K. Sanchez, First Assistant County Attorney
Jess M. McCarty, Executive Assistant County Attorney
Basia Pruna, Clerk of the Board
Yinka Majekodunmi, Commission Auditor

Objective:

To advance my leadership in municipal public administration by driving strategic initiatives that promote sustainable infrastructure, deliver world-class services, enhance quality of life, fortify economic vitality, and preserve the unique character of the community I serve.

Work Experience:

- 02/25 - Present Assistant City Manager**
City of Coral Gables Coral Gables, FL
 -Oversees the Community Recreation, Economic Development, Historic Resources and Cultural Arts, and Innovation and Technology departments.
- 05/16 - 02/25 Community Recreation Deputy Director**
City of Coral Gables - Community Recreation Coral Gables, FL
 -Oversees the management, maintenance and operations of all recreation divisions, including a Country Club, parks and open spaces; permitting of special events and film permits; land acquisition and coordinates capital improvements.
- 05/10 - 05/16 Venetian Pool Aquatics Supervisor/ Assistant Supervisor / Instructor**
City of Coral Gables
Parks & Recreation - Venetian Pool Coral Gables, FL
 -Administer & supervise all facility operations and comply with safety standards.
- 09/04 - 12/10 Editor in Chief**
COMITES Miami (Comitato Degli Italiani All Estero) Miami Beach, FL
 -Develop newsletter; oversee advertising contracts and annual budget.
- 05/06 - 04/10 Recreation Facility Aid**
City of Coral Gables - Venetian Pool Coral Gables, FL
 -Assist in all programming and daily pool, admission and concession operations.
- 10/04 - 04/06 Life Guard III Deck Supervisor / Lifeguard Instructor**
City of Coral Gables - Venetian Pool Coral Gables, FL
- 05/04 - 09/04 Life Guard I through III / Deck Supervisor**
Ellis & Associates Coral Gables, FL

Education:

- 2010 Bachelor of Science in Communication**
University of Miami Coral Gables, FL
 Double Major: Print Journalism and Fine Arts
- 2005 Seminar / Study Abroad Program**
Scuola Sportiva Rome, Italy
 Certified Sports Facility & Event Operator by the *Alleanza Sportiva Italiana*.
- 2004 High School Diploma**
Coral Gables Senior High School Coral Gables, FL

Certifications & Skills:

- Fluent in five languages: English, Spanish, French, German, and Italian
- Six Sigma Green and Yellow Belt Certified
- Graduate from the Joe Abrahams Academy for Leadership Excellence
- CPSI (Certified Playground Safety Inspector)
- AFO (Aquatic Facility Operator) certified
- Licensed Comprehensive Aquatic Risk Management Program Instructor
- Certified ECSI (Emergency Care & Safety Institute) Instructor
- E&A VanGUARD certified in Aquatic Leadership
- WSI certified with the American Red Cross
- ICISF certified in Individual Crisis Intervention & Peer Support
- ICISF certified in Group Crisis Intervention
- National Restaurant Association certified Food Protection Manager
- Skilled in designing web and newspaper layouts utilizing software such as *ADOBE Illustrator, Page Maker, InDesign, Photo Shop, Canva & etc.* Proficient use of *RecTrac, CLASS, Infor, EDEN, Constant Contact, Quick Books, Premier, Keynote, Pages, Numbers, Office: Word, Excel, Publisher, Power Point*, and all internet and e-mail functions. Proficient in all social media applications.

Academics and Honors:

- Annual Instructor at the FRPA Leadership Academy
- Speaker at FRPA's 2020 and 2021 Annual State Conference
- Published in FRPA's Journal
- Ford Mujeres Legendarias of the Year 2018
- City of Coral Gables 2013 Employee of the Year
- 2014 & 2015 Green Giant Award Finalist
- Guest speaker for the American Water Works Association
- Guest speaker at the 2014 Water Expo
- Provost's Honor Roll & Dean's List

Personal Profile:

- Appointed Board Member of the MDC TPO Bicycle Pedestrian Committee
- Cofounder and Vice President for Internal Affairs of CG-USA
- Editor in Chief of *II COMITES Informa*

References:

Available upon request.