

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

May 13, 2022

The Honorable Calvin S. Hawkins, II Chair Prince George's County Council Wayne K. Curry Building Largo, Maryland 20774

Dear Chair Hawkins:

It is my pleasure to submit to you and the County Council the appointments of Mr. Robert Fernandez and Ms. Patrice Garnette and the reappointment of Ms. Sylvia Bolivar as members of the Board of Library Trustees for Prince George's County. Ms. Bolivar was originally appointed in 2008 and is seeking a third term. Maryland law does not limit the number of terms that can be served by board members.

Mr. Robert M. Fernandez, a resident of Landover, has been a library patron since a toddler and notes, libraries have been a key element in his intellectual and social growth. He is currently an Assistant Professor, Resources Development/eLearning librarian with Prince George's Community College. In this role he oversees collection development, coordination of the online library instruction program in the Blackboard learning management system while working with library vendor partners to acquire products and services. Mr. Fernandez received his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from the University of South Florida and a Creative Commons Certificate for Educators and Librarians.

Ms. Patrice Garnette, a resident of Bowie, has eight (8) year of legal, compliance and regulatory experience. She is currently a Market Compliance Examinations Manager with the District of Columbia Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking. She manages division activities related to scheduling, planning and examination of insurers, securities firms, money services business and other financial services firms conducting business in the District of Columbia. Ms. Garnette earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Hampton University; a Master of Arts from American University; and a Juris Doctor from The George Washington University Law School.

Ms. Sylvia Bolivar, a resident of College Park, has over twenty (20) years public and non-profit sector experience. She is the Deputy Commission, Department of Planning and Community Development with the City of Mount Vernon, NY and commutes back and forth to her home in the county. Ms. Bolivar is slated to chair the board's Finance and Planning Committee and is a graduate of Smith College.

Pursuant to Section 23-403 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and Sections 2-127 of the Prince George's County Code, I am appointing Ms. Patrice Garnette and Mr. Robert Fernandez and reappointing Ms. Sylvia Bolivar to the Board of Library Trustees for Prince George's County.

Ms. Sylvia Bolivar

Reappointment

Term Expiration: 12/31/2026

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Mr. Robert Fernandez

Ms. Patrice Garnette

Appointment

Replacing: Samuel Epps IV Term Expiration: 12/31/2024

Reappointment

Replacing: Dr. Hiram Larew Term Expiration: 12/31/2024

Attached for the County Council's consideration is the Appointee Data Forms for Mr. Robert Fernandez, and Ms. Patrice Garnette. Their Financial Disclosure Statements have been transmitted to the Clerk of the Council. Your favorable consideration of this appointment is appreciated. If I may provide you with any additional information, please contact me or Ms. Miriam L. Brewer, Appointments Liaison, at (301) 952-4136.

Sincerely,

Angela D. Alsobrooks County Executive

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Attachments

cc: Members of the County Council Robert J. Williams, Jr. Council Administrator Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council Rhonda L. Weaver, County Attorney