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March 5, 2001

01-C-0463

The Honorable Mable Able Thomas
Chair
Committee on Council
Atlanta City Council
Atlanta, GA 30335

Dear Councilmember Thomas:

I am hereby appointing Sonia Sharma to serve as a Class B member of the Human Relations Commission. This appointment will begin upon Council confirmation.

A copy of Ms. Sharma's resume is attached for your review.

I would urge the committee's confirmation of this appointment.

Sincerely,

Robb Pitts

Robb Pitts, President
Atlanta City Council

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SONIA SHARMA

1217 Oxford Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30306
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EDUCATION

MS Degree, Community Counseling: March 1997.
Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia.

American Bar Association Certificate in Litigation: December 1993.
The National Center for Paralegal Training, Atlanta, Georgia.

BA Degree, Psychology and Religion: December 1992.
Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia.

EXPERIENCE

Program Coordinator, Multicultural Programs, Emory University,
Atlanta, Georgia. July 1998 - Present.

Domestic Violence Project Coordinator - Raksha, Inc.,
Atlanta, Georgia. July 1997- June 1998.

Behavioral Aide - GRN Community Service Board,
Conyers, Georgia. March 1997 - September 1997.

Counseling Intern - Raksha, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia. September 1996 - December 1996.

Social Services Intern - Laurel Heights Hospital,
Atlanta, Georgia. April 1996 - August 1996.

Editorial Assistant - Near Eastern Studies Department, Emory University,
Atlanta, Georgia. November 1994 - September 1995.

Paralegal - Sumner & Hewes, Attorney's-at-Law,
Atlanta, Georgia. February 1994 - November 1994.

ACTIVITIES

Raksha (a non-profit support and referral network for South Asians)
- Founding Member 1995 - 2000.
- Peer Support Committee Chair 1995 - 1999.
- Vice President, Board of Directors 1999- 2000.
- President, Board of Directors (Present).

Professional Indian Leaders of Tomorrow 1998 - Present.
Council on Battered Women - Support Group Facilitator 1994-1995.
Hands on Atlanta Discovery Program 1994 - 1995.

CULTURAL SENSITIVITY TRAININGS

"Counseling Diverse Populations" Conference 1997.
- Trained Therapists on ways to handle multicultural clients in counseling.

Georgia Commission on Family Violence Conference 1996 -1997.
Co-Conducted a workshop entitled "Challenges in Responding to Diverse Populations.
The Lovett School Racism Retreat 1995.
- Co-conducted workshop due to racial tensions at the school.

CULTURAL SUPPORT GROUPS

Rites of Passage for African Women 1994.
Indian Women's Group - Founder and Coordinator 1994 - 1995.
Women of Asia, Emory University - Group Facilitator 1996.

References available upon request

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Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

01-C-0463 Sonia Sharma serve as Class B member of the Human Rights Commission
CONFIRM

YEAS:	13
NAYS:	0
ABSTENTIONS:	0
NOT VOTING:	2
EXCUSED:	0
ABSENT	1

NV McCarty	Y Dorsey	Y Moore	Y Thomas
Y Starnes	Y Woolard	Y Martin	Y Emmons
Y Bond	Y Morris	Y Maddox	B Alexander
Y Winslow	Y Muller	Y Boazman	NV Pitts

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A Communication by Council President Robb Pitts:

Appointing Sonia Sharma to serve as a Class B member of the Human Relations Commission. This appointment is scheduled to begin upon Council confirmation.

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- ☐ CONSENT REFER
- ☐ REGULAR REPORT REFER
- ☐ ADVERTISE & REFER
- ☐ 1st ADOPT 2nd READ & REFER
- ☐ PERSONAL PAPER REFER

Date Referred 3/5/01

Referred To: Committee on Council

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First Reading

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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION

☐2nd ☐1st & 2nd Readings ☐3rd

☐Consent ☐V Vote ☑RC Vote

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MAYOR'S ACTION