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President Cathy Woolard and
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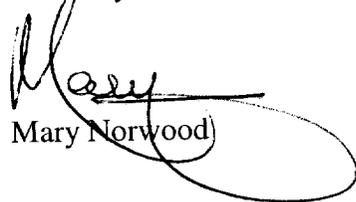
RE: Appointment to the Atlanta Commission on Women

Dear Council President and Members of the Council:

It is a pleasure for me to re-appoint **Georgianne Thomas** to continue to serve as a member of the **Atlanta Commission on Women**. This appointment is for a **term of two (2) years**, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation.

Ms. Thomas has proven to be an invaluable member on the Commission. She has served as the Vice President of the Commission for the past two years and is currently serving as their Chair. She is dedicated and has a plethora of ideas that she would like to see implemented to better serve women in the Atlanta community. I feel that Ms. Thomas is doing an excellent job and I am confident that she will continue to do so. A copy of her resume is attached.

Sincerely,


Mary Norwood

Summary Vitae for Georgianne Thomas B.A., M.ED., A.B.D.

Georgianne Thomas has over thirty years of experience in the media, both electronic and print. Ms. Thomas produced for television, live and taped; for radio, live and taped; and as served as editor, publisher, and writer for several newsletters, newspapers, and magazines. Ms. Thomas wrote, produced, and hosted for four years, *Inside International Atlanta* on Cable 16 and *Third World News* on WCLK-FM Radio. She also co-produced Gosfest 91, a mother-daughter Gospel Television Show (GTV) in London, England. For this, the team received the DMI (Deliverance Ministries International) Award for Best Gospel Television Program, London, England, 1991. Ms. Thomas served as curriculum specialist in French and she served as scriptwriter for VIDAC (Video Information Digital Auto Compression) co-sponsored by the Atlanta Public Schools, Georgia State Educational Television, and Westinghouse. This program pre-dated today's technology in the classroom.

Ms. Thomas is a former President of the Atlanta Chapter of the National Association of Media Women and a Pioneer Member of the Atlanta Association of Black Journalists. Ms. Thomas is a French instructor, a trainer of trainers, and she is skilled in international diplomacy. Ms. Thomas was inducted into Pi Delta Phi Societe d'Honneur Francaise in 1963 and in 1995. She received a special citation from former Ambassador and Mayor Andrew Young, for her help as a translator for French President Mitterand's 1984 visit to Atlanta. She also served on the first Board of the Continental African Chamber of Commerce in Atlanta.

Ms. Thomas was appointed in 1997 to the Chair of the Atlanta Sister Cities Commission and was elected to the National Board of Directors for Sister Cities International in 2002. She is the founding Chair of the Atlanta-Cotonou Sister City Committee and served at the Attache for the Republic of Benin during the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, Georgia. Ms. Thomas has worked extensively in the International Community of Atlanta, including volunteering with the Georgia Council of International Visitors since 1974 and S.C.L.C. Women's *International Fest*. She named and helped organize the Sister to Hospital Program initiated in Atlanta. Ms. Thomas is a graduate of Spelman College, B.A. in French; and Georgia State University, M.Ed.; and a doctoral student at Clark-Atlanta University in Humanities, French Literature. She has done additional studies at L'Universite de Laval in Quebec, Canada and L'Universite d'Angers in Angers, France.

In the past, Ms. Thomas has worked with the Atlanta Business League, NAACP, working with the membership drive, the Annual Fundraiser and the ACT-So competition. She served in a leadership position with the Atlanta Chapter of the National Council of Negro Women, the United Negro College Fund, and is a former Board Member of the Arts Exchange. She is a member of the Organization of Black Airline Pilots and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Ms. Thomas is also Chair of the Atlanta Commission on Women, 2002.

Ms. Thomas served as a consultant from 1979-2001 to Warner Books/Farley and Associates as a media escort and planner. Some of her clients include Bob Vila, Vanna White, James Redfield and Richard Simmons.

Ms. Thomas has held leadership positions in her neighborhood as Vice-Chair and Chair of NPU-S (Neighborhood Planning Unit), Vice-Chair of the City of Atlanta's Planning and Advisory Board for Neighborhood Planning and co-founder of the APAB Leadership Institute. Ms. Thomas served as a member of the Georgia Delegation to the National Summit on Africa, 2000, Washington, D.C.

She has received a plethora of awards and commendations for her work in the media, language skills, her extensive volunteer work and her skills as a trainer of trainers. Ms. Thomas is a member of the Board of Trustees at Big Bethel A.M.E. Church in Atlanta, Georgia. She is a member of Sisters by Choice, Inc. a breast-cancer survivor support group.

She is the mother of Alvelyn J. Sanders. B.S., M.A. and M.T.S., a writer, NPR Reporter, and a College Professor.

After sixteen years of employment with Delta Air Lines, Inc., Ms. Thomas retired from the local Atlanta Training Department. She is presently employed as Manager of the Temporary Protective Order Assistance Program for Domestic Violence at the Atlanta Municipal Court.

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Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

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02-C-2160; 02-C-2161; 02-C-2162; 02-C-2164
02-C-2165
CONFIRM

YEAS: 8
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 7
EXCUSED: 0
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Y Smith	Y Archibong	Y Moore	NV Mitchell
NV Starnes	Y Fauver	B Martin	Y Norwood
Y Young	Y Shook	NV Maddox	NV Willis
NV Winslow	Y Muller	NV Boazman	NV Woolard

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A Communication by
 Councilmember Mary
 Norwood:

Re-appointing Georgianne Thomas to serve as a member of the Atlanta Commission on Women. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation.

CONFIRMED BY
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- CONSENT REFER
 - REGULAR REPORT REFER
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 - 1st ADOPT 2nd READ & REFER
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Chair Refer
Clare Miller

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ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT
Carole W. Norwood

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 MUNICIPAL CLERK

MAYOR'S ACTION