

DATE: August 15. 2011

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Representative Emma Acosta

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Please place the following item on the (Check one): CONSENT XXX REGULAR \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda for the Council Meeting of August 23, 2011

Appointment of Celia M. Berton to the Foster Grandparent Program Advisory Council by

Item should read as follows: Representative Emma Acosta, District 3

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM**

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Foster Grandparent Program Advisory Council

NOMINATED BY: Representative Emma Acosta DISTRICT: 3

NAME OF APPOINTEE Celia M. Berton  
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

WHO WAS THE LAST PERSON TO HAVE HELD THIS POSITION BEFORE IT BECAME VACANT?

NAME OF INCUMBENT: Vacant  
06/22/2011

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: \_\_\_\_\_

REASON PERSON IS NO LONGER IN OFFICE (CHECK ONE): TERM EXPIRED: \_\_\_\_\_  
RESIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
REMOVED \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 08/23/2011

TERM BEGINS ON : 06/23/2011

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 06/22/2013

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: 1<sup>st</sup> TERM: X  
2<sup>nd</sup> TERM: \_\_\_\_\_  
UNEXPIRED TERM: \_\_\_\_\_

**CURRENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: 2005 –PRESENT Contract position  
Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce – Editor, “The Spotlight” monthly Chamber newsletter**

**Duties:**

Review, edit and compile a variety of material from Chamber members and staff for publication in the monthly newsletter. Prepare press releases for local media for Chamber staff and events.

**RECENT CIVIC INVOLVEMENT;**

Member- Sheriff/Police Citizens Academy 2011  
Member- Neighborhood Citizens Academy 2009  
Leadership El Paso curriculum committee 2006  
El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce- 2003  
Docent – El Paso Museum of Art - 2004  
XII Travelers Committee -2007

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS;**

Commissioner, Charitable Solicitations Commission	2003
Community Development Steering Committee	1992-1994
Affordable Housing Steering Committee	1990-1992
El Paso Bicentennial Commission	1975

**RETIRED: January 2003- US Government Service -45 years service**

Position: Protocol Director, US Army Air Defense Artillery Center, Fort Bliss, Texas position held -33 years

Duties: Directed and supervised a staff of 4 civilians and 5 military personnel.

Administered the Distinguished Visitors Program for the U.S. Army Air Defense Artillery Center, Fort Bliss, Texas. Advisor on all protocol related issues and events to the commanding general, senior commanders and foreign staffs. Oversight to extend proper courtesies and amenities commensurate with the rank and position of U.S. and foreign dignitaries.

**EDUCATION**

University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, Texas, Business Major - 60 Credit Hours  
School of Protocol, Washington, D.C.  
Cross Cultural Communications Course, State of Florida  
Extensive Management Training Seminars, US Army

**INTERNATIONAL WORK**

1956-1962	Paris, France	US Embassy, Military Assistance Advisory Group, Paris, France Supreme Headquarters, Allied Powers, Europe (SHAPE), Paris
1965-1968	Naples, Italy	Headquarters, Allied Forces, Southern Command, Naples, Italy
1994	Juarez, Chihuahua, Mex	Hospitality Committee, Mexico Foreign Relations Office for a pre-NAFTA site visit to El Paso- Juarez region.
1997	Tokyo, Japan	Japanese Army/Air force training conference in Tokyo.

## **AWARDS**

- 2003 El Paso Conquistador Award
- 2003 Superior Civilian Service Medal- US Government 2003
- 2002 US Government 45 yr service recognition by President George W. Bush
- 1999 Ft Bliss representative to YWCA REACH Awards.
- 1998 Association of the US Army Supervisor of the Year Finalist
- 1997 US Government 40 year service recognition by President William Clinton
- 1996 Inducted into the Military Order of St Barbara
- 1981 The Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce Award for Community Service.

## **PAST COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Board Member: YWCA 2003-2004

- International Museum of Art 2000-2004
- Burnham Woods Charter School 1998-2003
- VIVA El Paso 1998-2001
- Lighthouse for the Blind 1985-1987
- Armed Forces YMCA Advisory Board 1982-2002
- Women's Club of El Paso - 2003 -2006
- El Paso Council for International Visitors 1999-2008
- Alumna of Leadership Texas 1992
- Alumna of Leadership El Paso, 1990
- Armed Forces Committee, Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce 1985-2002
- Executive Forum 1982- present