

DATE: November 19, 2008

TO: City Clerk

FROM: City Representative Melina Castro

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

Agenda for the Council Meeting of 12/02/2008

Item should read as follows: Re-Appointment of Frederick J. Shuford to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board by City Representative Melina Castro, District #4.

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

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

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

NOMINATED BY: City Representative Melina Castro DISTRICT: #4

NAME OF APPOINTEE Frederick J. Shuford  
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: Retired

CITY: El Paso ST: TX ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

CITY: El Paso ST: TX ZIP: 79924 PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

NAME OF INCUMBENT: Frederick J. Shuford

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 10/14/2008

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

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 12/02/2008

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 10/14/2010

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

2<sup>nd</sup> TERM: XX

UNEXPIRED TERM: \_\_\_\_\_

As active military, my family moved into our home in northeast El Paso in 1977. My two daughters grew up in this neighborhood along with their friends. Living across from Franklin Park, I have seen many changes through the years both good and bad, mostly very bad lately. Within last few years, the park has become less and less family oriented. Removal of playground equipments, tennis courts being vandalized, park being used as place to get drunk, use and selling drugs, sexual activities in the open by high schoolers and by others. Lack of appropriate equipment in this park is very visible.

For these reasons, I would like an opportunity to serve on the advisory board to improve this and other parks like Franklin, back to what it was meant to be used for-a place for children and families from their neighborhood to enjoy safe outdoor activities. A place to swing, to play in the sandbox that is free of drug needles, broken beer bottles, etc., to play football, softball and/or just to take a walk around the park.

