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The Honorable R.T. Rybak
Mayor of Minneapolis
Room 331, City Hall
350 South Fifth Street
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Council President Barbara Johnson
And Members of the City Council
Room 307, City Hall
350 South Fifth Street
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Re: Finalists for Appointment to the Minneapolis Ethical Practices Board

Dear Mayor Rybak, Council President Johnson and Members of the City Council:

On behalf of the Appointing Committee for the Ethical Practices Board and pursuant to Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, section 15.210, I am pleased to forward to you the names of finalists for the two vacancies on the Ethical Practices Board. Section 15.210 requires a thirty day period for you to submit comments about the finalist to the Appointing Committee. The members of the Appointing Committee may be reached at the following numbers:

Dean Thomas Mengler, 651-962-4886;
Dean David Wippman, 612-623-4841; and
Chief Judge James Swenson, 612-348-5983.



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In addition to the comment period, the Ethics Code, section 15.210, requires, within five days of the date of this letter, that the City Council schedule a public hearing to solicit public input on the finalists. The Appointing Committee respectfully requests the scheduling of a public hearing at the Ways and Means Committee Meeting of October 20, 2008, 1:45 p.m. The finalists are prepared to attend the meeting to answer questions.

The appointing Committee is recommending reappointment of Patricia Kovel-Jarboe. Ms. Kovel-Jarboe was initially appointed to the Ethical Practices Board October 17, 2005. She is currently serving as the Board's chair. Ms. Kovel-Jarboe's abbreviated resume and Ethical Practices Board application are attached.

The Appointing Committee is recommending appointment of Susan M. Humiston, Esq., to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of William Dooley. Ms. Humiston's appointment is to complete the term expiring on January 2, 2011. Ms. Humiston's biographical information, resume and Ethical Practices Board application are attached.

The appointing committee is confident that both Ms. Kovel-Jarboe and Ms. Humiston will provide excellent leadership on the City's Ethical Practices Board and promote high ethical standards of conduct and a healthy ethical culture throughout Minneapolis City government.

Sincerely,



Susan L. Trammell
Minneapolis Ethics Officer
On behalf of the Appointing Committee

cc:

Dean Thomas M. Mengler, University of St. Thomas School of Law (w/o attachments)
The Honorable James Swenson, Chief Judge, Hennepin County District Court (w/o attachments)
Dean David Wippman, University of Minnesota Law School (w/o attachments)
Anne Roth, City Council Committee Coordinator