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**Erie County Legislature
c/o Legislative Clerk, Robert Graber
Attention: Chairperson Betty Jean Grant
95 Franklin St.
Buffalo, NY 14202**

Chairperson Grant and Erie County Legislators,

I am submitting my resume to be considered for a position as Commissioner on the Erie County Water Authority.

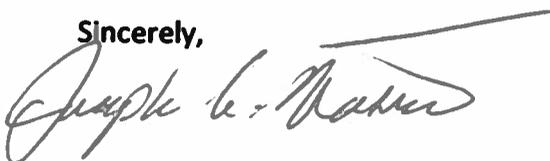
As a four time elected Commissioner on the Board of the Buffalo Municipal Housing Authority I feel that I am uniquely qualified for this position. The BMHA manages 4000 housing units with approximately 12,000 residents and a budget of \$60,000,000.00 per year that employs a combination of 250 to 300 administrative and union employees. In the position of Commissioner we set policy, make decisions and approve contracts that affect the residents of housing and the City of Buffalo. At the present time I sit on the Operations and Safety Committees.

I also have more than 40 years in the construction industry not only in building and road experience but installation of sewer, water lines and fire hydrants. The last 14 years I was employed as a cement mason with the Buffalo Board of Education.

During my four terms as an elected Commissioner of the BMHA I have been known as an independent voice and have always considered the best interests of both the housing authority and the residents before passing any new policy. I am also a firm advocate for transparency in government.

I can be reached at (716) 289-9861 or Bfjoilo@roadrunner.com. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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OBJECTIVE

Consideration for Erie County Water Authority Board of Commissioners.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Supervisor with the Buffalo Schools as a Union Cement Mason, now retired. Supervised small, medium and large concrete, paving, excavation and demolition projects.

Thirty- seven years as a Cement Mason working on large construction projects throughout Erie County including the University of Buffalo North and South Campus, HSBC Tower on Main Street, Erie Community College North and South Campus, Ralph Wilson Stadium and the reconstruction of the South Grand Island Bridge.

Supervisor with F.L. Ciminelli Construction, J.W. Cowper Construction, Seigfried Constuction, D.A. Elia, and Sevenson Construction.

Concurrently, was self-employed in residential and commercial construction working on projects for Benderson Development. Also, the masonry and concrete at the Science Magnet School.

Served as elected Commissioner at the Buffalo Municipal Housing Authority. I have instituted several programs aimed at increasing the quality of life for residents including the cycle painting program and a policy allowing veterans first priority for selection in housing.

EDUCATION

Grover Cleveland High School

One year at Erie County Community North Campus, Construction Technology.
NYS Certified in asbestos removal.

MILITARY SERVICE

New York State Army National Guard 1963-1967 - Heavy Equipment Operator/Armored Personnel Carrier Operator - Expert rifleman and experience in heavy weapons

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Currently serving a fourth two year term as resident elected Commissioner of the Buffalo Municipal Housing Authority.

- **Chairman of the Public Safety Committee:** Assisted in providing a new public safety unit for housing with the Buffalo Police Department.
- **Operations Committee:** Contract compliance resulting in the reduction in the number of change orders in the Modernization Department.
- **Section 3 Committee:** Introduced new guidelines in certifying practices, bid process and compliance.

Member of the National Low Income Housing Coalition

Introduced legislation in Albany to change make-up of the BMHA Board of Commissioners to three appointed by the Mayor of the City of Buffalo, two appointed by the Common Council and two elected by the residents of the BMHA.

Chairman of the Joint Commission to study the Buffalo Police Reorganization:

Charged by the City of Buffalo Common Council to study and make recommendations to improve the safety of Buffalo citizens and Buffalo Police officers.

Member of the Buffalo/Niagara Preservation

Assisted with the NYS Seven to Save the Willert Part Housing Development, the first public housing built for African Americans in the nation.

Vice President of the Marine Drive Resident Council

Assisted in establishing and organizing the Marine Drive resident association and resident council.

Assisted in organizing the successful community opposition to the twelve hundred car public parking ramp intended to replace the existing Marine Drive parking lot.

Graduate of 2012 FBI Citizens Academy

Former Democratic Zone Chairman. Election District Committeeman

Volunteer to erect the Hispanic War Veterans Monument at the Naval Military Park

Naval and Military Park Committee Member, Buffalo, NY

Volunteer for the South Buffalo Buffim House Restoration

Volunteer to improve housing for the homeless veterans- WNY Veterans Voices

Volunteer for the brick paving labor for the driveway at the Extreme Home Makeover house in Buffalo