

March 3, 2020

City Council President Joseph P. Lopes and Honorable Members of the City Council 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Lopes and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I would like to request a one-time, one-year **Waiver of Residency** for Samantha Cesario, who has been selected for the position of Librarian II, Branch Manager at the Howland-Green Branch.

Ms. Cesario currently resides in Providence, Rhode Island. Ms. Cesario recently moved to Providence from North Adams, MA for personal reasons and became aware of our Branch Manager vacancy soon after having signed a one-year apartment lease. She has committed to moving to New Bedford in compliance with the residency requirement upon the conclusion of her lease. I have attached correspondence to support the reason for this request.

Director Olivia Melo and Samantha Cesario will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

Sincerely

Jonatian F. Mitchell

Mayor

JFM/sds Attachment

cc:

Samantha Cesario

Olivia Melo Personnel



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Mayor Jonathan F. Mitchell City of New Bedford 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Mayor Mitchell:

I respectfully request placement on the City Council Agenda for approval of a residency waiver for Samantha Cesario of Providence, Rhode Island.

Ms. Cesario has been selected for the post of Librarian-II/Branch Manager at the Howland-Green Branch. Ms. Cesario holds a Masters' in Library & Information Science and a Bachelor's in Sociology, Social Work. She recently moved to Providence from North Adams, MA for personal reasons and became aware of our Branch Manager vacancy soon after signing a lease.

Ms. Cesario's educational background in the social work field, combined with her career path as a Supervisor of Children & Youth Services at the Berkshire Athenaeum in Pittsfield, MA, makes her the ideal and qualified applicant for this branch library which supports the needs of a neighborhood dealing with socioeconomic factors and mental health.

The combination of a social work background combined with experience working with youth, ages 0-18, in a library setting make Ms. Cesario the optimal candidate for this post.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Olivia Melo, Library Director

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