

December 1, 2021

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

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

I am submitting for your approval the **APPOINTMENT** of **GENESIS GALAN** of 80 Trinity Street, New Bedford, MA to the **HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**. Ms. Galan will be replacing Reverend Kevin T. Taylor, whose term has expired. This term will expire in 2022.

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell

Mayor

JFM/sds

Enc.

Genesis Galan

**Human Rights Commission** 



## CITY OF NEW BEDFORD BOARD & COMMISSION APPLICATION

The Mayor is seeking citizens who wish to serve on City Boards and Commissions established to assist and advise the City on specific matters. Please complete this application in full (attach a resume and other information which may assist the Mayor and the City Council in making its selection) and file it with the Personnel Office. The Mayor reserves the right to reject any application. Some appointments are subject to confirmation by the City Council.

Board/Commission applying for: (see reverse side) <u>Huma</u>	n Rights Commission
Name: Genesis Galan	Email:
Home Telephone:	Work Telephone:
Residence Address: 80 Trinity St., New Bedford, MA	Zip: <u>02740</u>
Present Occupation & Place of Employment: Specia	al Projects Coordinator at PACE, Inc.
Educational Background: Bachelor's in English and P	sychology from Bridgewater State University (YO
Memberships in Community Organizations or Profe HSPN Racial Equity Committee HSPN	essional Groups:
City Boards and/or Commissions on which you hav N/A	e previously served:
The reasons why you wish to be considered for appease Attached.	ointment by the Mayor:
Please detail specific areas of expertise: Research experience, data collection and analyzation, ir community work, writing, social media and marketing (fly Please detail specific areas of interest:	nterviewing skills, bi-lingual (English, Spanish), vers, graphics, etc.)
See Attached.	
Available for meetings in the daytime evening	ngs both (check one)
Resident of the City since what year: 1997	<del></del>
Appointees and incumbents may be required to file a Statement Council Rules or the Mayor. The statement may require a decity of New Bedford. Please return your completed application Room 212, New Bedford, MA 02740.	laration that you have no interest in conflict with the on to the Personnel Department, 133 William St.,
Applications will be kept of	n file for two years.
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I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Signature of Applicant: Date: 11/4/21

## The reasons why you wish to be considered for appointment by the Mayor:

Since graduating and returning to New Bedford to work for a local Community Action Agency, one thing has become very clear to me: I love serving the community of New Bedford. It is a pleasure to have been born and raised in New Bedford and to see the generations and different mixes of cultures and races/ethnicities in New Bedford. There are so many great people in New Bedford that are committed to making this community a better place day by day, and it fills me with pride and joy. I would love the opportunity to be appointed to the Human Rights Commission and to serve my community in this way because it is important for me to know what is taking place in the community, what resources are available, and to ensure that the diversity of this city is being met with fairness and equality. I am a second-generation American, with family who is from the Dominican Republic, and I've truly enjoyed being a part of both cultures, however I have also been a first-hand witness to the difficulty or the lack of awareness among the Hispanic community when it comes to the resources and opportunities that are available in New Bedford; this is why I would love the opportunity to do my part and serve as a member of this commission--ensuring that there is equity and awareness for the Hispanic community as well as others.

## Please detail specific areas of interest:

Community outreach; conversations around race, ethnicity, culture, and identity development; research; writing; interviewing/focus groups; strategizing and planning; connecting with people and hearing their stories