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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Susan Vento

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed you to the office of:

District 11 Representative Metropolitan Council

Effective: March 8, 2023 Expires: January 4, 2027

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed March 3, 2023.

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Tim Walz
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<u>Goal</u>: I am seeking reappointment to the District 11 position on the Metropolitan Council.

Professional Experience

Current member of the Metropolitan Council representing District 11, 2019-present. Serving on the Community Development (Vice Chair), Environment & Audit (Vice Chair) Committees as well as the current ex-officio Council representative on the Metropolitan Parks & Open Space Commission & as Met Council Chair Zelle's designee to the Environmental Quality Board & the Governor's Council for an Age Friendly Minnesota. I have served on the Council's work groups regarding its Transitway Advancement Policy, its climate change plan, & transit safety.

Former Director of Outreach, Church of the Assumption, St. Paul, MN, 2011-2016. Responsibilities included coordinating the parish's first parish directory, organizing parish volunteers for a myriad of parish & community projects, working with grief support groups, Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity, Catholic Charities, Listening House & food drives, etc.

Former member of the staff of Education Minnesota & the former Minnesota Education Association, 1983-2010. Served in various professional staff roles including as a field representative for K-12, technical college & state employed educators, coordinator of the student program for college & university students preparing to become educators, as well lobbying & political organizing on behalf of pre-K-12 educators & higher education faculty. Served on numerous Education Minnesota & National Education Association training teams & committees.

Elementary educator teaching first & third graders, Jefferson Elementary School, Willmar, MN, 1976-1983. Served on numerous building & district committees & was active in the Willmar Education Association & the Minnesota Education Association.

Education

Graduate of the College of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, MN, 1976, Elementary Education degree.

Harvard Trade Union Program, Cambridge, MA, 2004.

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Community Engagement

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Friends of the Mississippi River, current board member & member of development committee & past board chair.

National Park Trust, former board member & current member of awards committee.

Ramsey County Historical Society, former board member.

Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation, former board member.

Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity, former board member & governance committee chair.

Neighborhood House, former board member & chair of food shelf committee.

Friends of the St. Paul Library, former board member & chair of the advocacy committee.

Carmen Pampa Fund, former board member & board chair.

Merrick Community Services, former board member.

Citizen advocate for mesothelioma patients & their families, which has included lobbying & testifying at the State & Federal levels on legislation regarding asbestos, personal injury litigation involving asbestos, & medical research.

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Application for the position District 11 Rep. Application Date: 1/24/2023 10:24:50 AM

Part I: Position Sought

Agency Name: Metropolitan Council

Position: District 11 Rep.

Part II: Applicant Information

Name: Susan Vento

Phone: (651) 491-8139

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Email: slvento@q.com

County: Ramsey

Felony Conviction: No Mn House District: 53A US House District: 4

Recommended by the Appointing Authority: False

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Part III: Appending Documentation

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Met Council App References - 2023.docx



Part IV: Optional Statistical Information

Race and Natural Origin: White or Caucasian Political Party: Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Age: 64

Gender: Female **Disability:** No

Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin: No

Veteran: No Answer

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Part V: Signature

Signature: Susan Vento

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