

APPOINTMENT

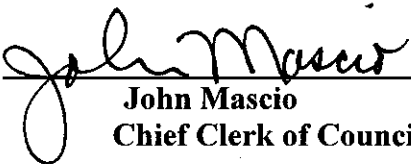
Approving the reappointment of Constance L. Yarris to serve as a Member to the Regional Asset District Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

In Council February 7 2006.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.



Rich Fitzgerald
President of Council

Attest: 
John Mascio
Chief Clerk of Council



County of Allegheny

DAN ONORATO
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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January 11, 2006

Honorable President and Members
Allegheny County Council
119 Courthouse
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

Dear Council Members:

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Please find the attached resume of Constance L. Yarris, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Regional Asset District Board.

The mission of the Regional Asset District is to support and finance regional assets in the areas of libraries, parks and recreation, cultural, sports and civic facilities and programs. In addition to providing grants from half of the proceeds of the Allegheny County Sales and Use Tax, the District works with citizen boards and government officials monitoring the assets for effective operation and development. I am recommending Ms. Yarris to serve another 4 year term ending on December 31, 2007.

Ms. Yarris has been Executive Director of the Regional Business Alliance since July 1998. The Regional Business Alliance is an alliance of six Chambers of Commerce in the Mon Valley area and works towards improving the business climate in the local communities and the region. Ms. Yarris has extensive experience with non-profit organizations. She was employed by Allegheny County Head Start for 18 years, and also has experience with The United Way, Meals on Wheels and more recently, as Director of the YWCA of McKeesport.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Ms. Yarris will make herself available for review before the appropriate committee if members of Council wish to speak with her.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Onorato".

Dan Onorato

CC: Constance L. Yarris

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Jefferson Hills, PA 15025

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Constance L. Yarris

An ambitious non-profit administrator with broad based experience in program development, fund raising, strategic planning, community/public relations and multi-service management.

Experience

1998 – present

Regional Business Alliance
White Oak, PA

Executive Director

- Direct and coordinate six Chambers of Commerce, two charitable foundations and a local business association.
- Generate and maintain revenue through a diverse array of funding sources.
- Advocate for legislative action that strengthens the local business community.
- Produce a monthly publication distributed to over 30,000 readers through The Daily News distribution.
- Publish a first-of-a-kind Quality of Life Book that reflects the positive aspects of the Mon Valley.
- Conducted a "Founders Campaign" that generated over \$150,000 in charitable donations.

1994 - 1998

YWCA of McKeesport
McKeesport PA

Executive Director

- Increase overall revenue by thirty percent in two years.
- Implement a system of appropriate housing and support services to homeless women and children that conforms with the local continuum of care.
- Initiate change in order that the organization evolve and grow to meet the needs of the community.
- Provide ongoing evaluation and assessment of programs and services to assure non-duplication and service quality.

1993–1994

Clairton Meals on Wheels
Clairton PA

Site Manager

- Recruit and train volunteers for daily meal preparation and delivery.
- Provide appropriate referrals to clients in need.

Experience (con't)	1988-1994	Research Assessment Inc. Wilmington DE
	Evaluation Consultant	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Provide evaluation and technical assistance to rural Head Start Programs in West Virginia, Virginia and Delaware in the areas of Social Service and Parent Involvement.	
	1990 - 1992	The United Way of Allegheny County, Pittsburgh PA
	Resource and Referral Project Specialist	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Design and implement a grant-funded project that promotes and organizes school-aged child care programs within the public school system.	
	1972 - 1990	Allegheny County Head Start Pittsburgh PA
	Parent Involvement Specialist	
	Family Service Worker	
	Site Cook	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Community College of Allegheny County▪ Institute of Organization Management▪ Leadership Pittsburgh Graduate▪ Numerous supplemental training programs	
Affiliations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Allegheny Regional Asset District Board of Directors▪ Mon Valley Initiative - Community Investment Fund Board of Directors▪ Mon Valley Providers Council - Steering Committee Chairperson▪ Junior Achievement Mon Yough Council - Chairperson▪ Western PA Regional Advocacy Council - Vice-Chair▪ Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium Society▪ Numerous professional committees and affiliations	
References	Upon Request	



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January 27, 2006

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Constance L. Yarris
1308 Third Street
Jefferson Hills, PA 15025

DAVE FAWCETT
AT-LARGE

Dear Ms. Yarris:

RON FRANCIS, JR.
DISTRICT 1

This is to inform you that an Appointment Review Committee Meeting has been scheduled for 4:00 PM, **Thursday, February 2, 2006** in Conference Room One, 119 County Courthouse.

JAN REA
DISTRICT 2

EDWARD J. KRESS
DISTRICT 3

Your presence has been requested to discuss your nomination for reappointment to the Regional Asset District Board.

DOUG PRICE
DISTRICT 4

If you have any questions regarding this please contact me at 412-350-6495

VINCE CASTGEB
DISTRICT 5

JOAN CLEARY
DISTRICT 6

Sincerely,

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DISTRICT 9

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Chief Clerk
Allegheny County Council

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February 15, 2006

Constance L. Yarris
1308 Third Street
Jefferson Hills, PA 15025

Dear Ms. Yarris,

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 7, 2006, Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member to the Regional Asset District Board for term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Congratulations on your appointment and best of luck in this undertaking. We look forward to receiving your recommendations and stand willing to assist you in any way you believe appropriate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John DeFazio".

John DeFazio
At-Large Representative

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