

Bill No. 1472-04

APPOINTMENT

Approving the reappointment of Congresswoman Melissa Hart to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Community College Board for a term to expire on April 23, 2009.

In Council APRIL 20, 2004.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.



Rich Fitzgerald
President of Council

Attest: John Mascio
John Mascio
Chief Clerk of Council

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March 10, 2004

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

Dear Council Members:

Please find the attached resume of Congresswoman Melissa Hart, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Allegheny County Community College Board.

The Board broadens the base of educational opportunity and human resource development for the citizens of Allegheny County through continued development of campuses and centers that are committed to quality, diversity, social responsibility and career direction. I am recommending Congresswoman Hart to serve another 6-year term ending April 23, 2009.

Congresswoman Hart has represented the 4th Congressional District for two terms. Prior to this, Congresswoman Hart represented the North Hills of Allegheny County in the Pennsylvania State Senate for a decade. In addition to the CCAC Board, Congresswoman Hart serves on the Boards of the University of Pittsburgh, Washington and Jefferson College, and the Pennsylvania Partnership for Economic Education.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Congresswoman Hart 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

Rep. Melissa Hart and Committee Info

U.S. Rep. Melissa Hart was overwhelmingly reelected to her second term serving the people of the 4th District. The district includes Southwestern Pennsylvania communities in Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, Westmoreland and Mercer Counties.

The congresswoman is the first female Republican from Pennsylvania elected to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives, and was the first female Republican elected to a full term in the state Senate.

Though only in her second term, Hart has already had several legislative successes. Congress passed and the president signed into law Hart's plan to provide funds to programs that provide "safe havens" for abandoned newborns. The president also signed legislation that Hart authored improving medical benefits for tens of thousands of former miners who suffer from Black Lung disease. Most recently, Hart's "Consumer Product Protection Act", which penalizes individuals who insert illicit and pornographic materials into packaged food goods, was signed into law.

Hart has focused her congressional work on restoring opportunity to the district -- a region that had missed much of the economic prosperity of the late 1990s. Her efforts are guided by the principle of making government more responsive to citizens. She continues to build on her record of success in delivering common-sense reforms that make a tangible difference in people's lives.

Specifically, Hart has been active in targeting and obtaining funds for local brownfields sites that can be developed into new businesses and economic projects. She continues to work directly with local and county officials to help navigate federal agencies to help access financing for local projects, especially water and sewage infrastructure. Hart introduced an economic development plan specifically tailored to bring new growth and spur investments in western Pennsylvania's workers and businesses.

Since coming to Congress, Rep. Hart has been named to three powerful committees:

- Financial Services
- Judiciary
- Science

In addition to these, she has been named the Vice Chair of the Subcommittee on the Constitution.

Rep. Hart's current legislative priorities include:

- utilizing her position on the Financial Services Committee to strengthen efforts to grow the local economy
- working aggressively to help local communities utilize federal grants and other programs to expand economic development
- protecting Social Security for current and future retirees
- working to strengthen US Airways
- protecting children from Internet pornography and strengthening child abduction laws
- reducing the tax burdens on individuals and businesses that provide jobs for the district
- protecting the unborn by sponsoring the "Unborn Victims of Violence Act"
- providing access to quality health care by supporting a prescription drug benefit in Medicare and medical malpractice reform
- promoting economic development through rebuilding local infrastructure, such as re-designating Route 60 as a federal highway.

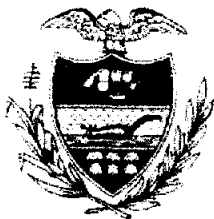
Prior to first taking office in Congress in 2000, Hart served in the Pennsylvania Senate for 10 years. Despite coming from an overwhelmingly Democrat district, she was re-elected twice in a similarly registered district with nearly 70 percent of the vote--reflecting her emphasis on "people, not politics." She chaired the powerful Finance Committee and helped deliver over four billion dollars in tax cuts and other savings to Pennsylvania taxpayers and small businesses.

A native of Allegheny County, the congresswoman graduated from North Allegheny High School, and earned her bachelor's degree from Washington & Jefferson College. She went on to earn a law degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

Community Service

The congresswoman serves on the boards of several important community organizations:

Washington and Jefferson College Board of Trustees
Community College of Allegheny County
Pennsylvania Partnership for Economic Education
Vietnam Veterans Leadership Program
University of Pittsburgh Board of Trustees
Pittsburgh Film Office
Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre



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April 6, 2004

Congresswoman Melissa Hart
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Dear Congresswoman Hart:

This is to inform you that Council President Rich Fitzgerald, Chairperson of Council's Committee on Appointment Review, has scheduled an Appointment Review Committee Meeting for 5:00 PM, **Wednesday, April 14, 2004** in Conference Room One, 119 County Courthouse.

The Councilman requests your presence at the meeting to discuss your nomination for appointment to the Allegheny County Community College Board. He indicated that those of you that were nominated for reappointment should be prepared to answer questions including how long you have served on the board, your biggest accomplishments on that board, and what you envision your future goals to be if reappointed.

Those of you that are new nominees should be prepared to answer questions relative to your background and qualifications and what you hope to accomplish if appointed.

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

Sincerely,

John Mascio
Chief Clerk
Allegheny County Council