APPOINTMENT

Approving the reappointment of Catherine McLean Armstrong to serve as a member of the Port Authority Board for a term to expire December 31, 2009.

In Council January 18, 2005.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.

Rich Fitzgerald

President of Council

Attests

John Mascio

Chief Clerk of Council

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE



County of Alegheny

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December 15, 2004

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

Dear Council Members:

Please find the attached resume of Ms. Catherine McLean Armstrong whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Port Authority of Allegheny County.

The Port Authority operates Allegheny County's integrated transportation system, by bus, train, or incline, for the purpose of moving large amounts of people. Mr. Mattola is the current Vice Chairman of the Port Authority Board and his term will expire on December 31, 2008.

A graduate of Yale University, Ms. Armstrong is currently conducting a research project at the University of Pittsburgh's Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on wheelchair transportation safety. The project includes investigating the experiences, attitudes and knowledge of persons who use wheelchairs and ride fixed-route public transportation. As a Port Authority Board member, Ms. Armstrong has represented the interests of younger riders, persons with all types of disabilities and those like herself, who must rely on Port Authority as their only practical means of transportation.

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

Dan Onorato

Sincerely

cc: Ms. Catherine Armstrong



Catherine McLean Armstrong

Working on her master's degree in rehabilitation science at the University of Pittsburgh, Catherine McLean Armstrong is an active public transit rider and supporter.

A graduate of Yale University, Ms. Armstrong is currently conducting a research project at the University of Pittsburgh's Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on wheelchair transportation safety. The project includes investigating the experiences, attitudes and knowledge of persons who use wheelchairs and ride fixed-route public transportation.

After completing her master's degree and current research project, Ms. Armstrong plans to begin working as a vocational rehabilitation counselor and advocate for persons with disabilities.

As a Port Authority Board member, she hopes to represent the interests of younger riders and persons with all types of disabilities, as well as those who, like herself, must rely on Port Authority as their only practical means of transportation.

In addition to her work and studies at the University of Pittsburgh, Ms. Armstrong provides cognitive rehabilitation services at the Hiram G. Andrews Rehabilitation Center in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. A resident of North Braddock, Ms. Armstrong is an avid and enthusiastic trumpet player.



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RICH FITZGERALD

DISTRICT 11 PRESIDENT

January 4, 2005

WAYNE FONTANA

DISTRICT 12 VICE-PRESIDENT

Catherine McLean Armstrong

JOHN DEFAZIO

AT-LARGE

314 Ridgeview Drive North Braddock, PA 15104

DAVE FAWCETT

AT-LARGE

Dear Ms. Armstrong:

RON FRANCIS, JR.

DISTRICT 1

Jan Rea

DISTRICT 2

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, Tuesday, January 11, 2005 in

The Councilman requests your presence at the meeting to discuss your

nomination for appointment to the Port Authority of Allegheny County. 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

Conference Room One, 119 County Courthouse.

TOM SHUMAKER

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VINCE GASTGEB

DISTRICT 5

JOAN CLEARY DISTRICT 6

CHARLES MARTONI

DISTRICT 8

C.L. JABBOUR

DISTRICT 9

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

Those of you that are new nominees should be prepared to answer questions

relative to your background and qualifications and what you hope to

WILLIAM RUSSELL

ROBINSON

District 10

Sincerely,

BRENDA FRAZIER

DISTRICT 13

John Mascio Chief Clerk

JOE CATANESE

CHIEF OF STAFF

Allegheny County Council

goals to be if reappointed.

accomplish if appointed.

JOHN MASCIO

CHIEF CLERK

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RICH FITZGERALD, PRESIDENT

County of Allegheny

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January 26, 2005

Catherine McLean Armstrong 314 Ridgeview Drive North Braddock, PA 15104

Dear Ms. Armstrong:

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 18, 2005, Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Port Authority Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Congratulations on your appointment.

Sincerely

Rich Fitzgerald, President District 11 Representative

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