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ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

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

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Dear Council Members:

Please find the attached resume of Thelma Spells, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Authority for the Improvements in Municipalities.

This Authority provides low interest loans to municipal governments and authorities to help them finance various capital needs including infrastructure, equipment and buildings. Grants are available for projects that are multi-municipal in nature, or impact a county facility. AIM also has the ability to issue tax-exempt financing, administer the distribution and investment of fiduciary funds, and provide deferred loans for special project activities. I am recommending that Ms. Spells serve another 5 year term, which will expire on December 31, 2010.

Ms. Spells is currently an attorney with a general practice which includes business law, family law, probate, civil and criminal litigation. She has been involved with the indigent Divorce program and also as a volunteer for the YWCA Legal Resources for Women.

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

Sincerely,

Dan Onorato