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AGENDA: 12/14/99

December 7, 1999

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: APPOINTMENT TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION (REPRESENTATIVE OF WOMEN'S CRISIS SUPPORT)

Dear Members of the Board:

recommend the appointment of the following person to the Domestic Violence Commission, as the representative of Women's Crisis Support, in accordance with County Code Chapter 2.118, Section 20:

Heidi Simonson 406 Main Street, Suite 326 Watsonville, CA 95076 661-0166 (H) 722-4532 (B)

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Board of Supervisors

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cc: Heidi Simonson

Domestic Violence Commission

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APPLICATION FOR- APPOINTMENT TO A COUNTY ADVISORY BODY

INSTRUCTIONS

If you are interested in serving on a County Advisory Body please complete the following application and return it to the Board of Supervisors, 701 Ocean St., Room 500, Santa Cruz, California. If you are interested in being considered for more than one advisory body a separate application should be submitted for each appointment you are seeking.

Upon receipt, your application for appointment will be routed to each Board member and then filed for further consideration by Board members when there is a vacancy on the advisory body. If a Supervisor is interested in nominating you for appointment, the Supervisor will contact you and discuss the appointment, the appointment process, and requirements for the advisory body in question.

Please specify below the Commission/Committee or Board to which you are seeking appointment and provide the requested information.

Thank you for your interest in County Government. COMMISSION, COMMITTEE or. BOARD DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION HEIDI SIMONSON Name 406 MAIN ST., STE. 326 Address, 95074 CAWATSONVILLE (831) Lele1-016le (Home) Phone (831) 722-4532 (Business) Supervisorial District since 1992 Length of Residence in Area (Optional) Circle one: Under 21 351/2 (years) 21 - 3031-40 **Over 40** PREVIOUS COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE SERVED (Please specify) Term Advisory Body

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Year</u>	
UnivERSITY OF CALIF., S	ANTA (IZUZ, PS.	ychology B.A.	1986	
SANTA CLARA U MIVERSITY	Scitocl of LA	W J.D.	1995	
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WORK/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE				
<u>Organi zati on</u>	<u>Address</u>	Position	<u>Year</u>	
East San Jose Community L	aw Center	Law Clerk	94-96	·
Public_InterestLaw Firm.	San Jose	Law CKIK	1993	
Alzheimer's Respite Care, Santa Cruz		volunteer-enter b	uniment 1998	1998
St. Francis Soud Kitchen, Santa Cruz		volunteer	1982-84	
Oakes College, UCSC, Santa Cruz		preceptor	1993-96	

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Please attach a brief statement indicating why you are interested in serving on the advisory body in question and why you are qualified for the appointment.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above information is true and correct and I authorize the verification of the information in the application in the event I am a finalist for the appointment.

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Signature	Date	

Women's Crisis Support. (831) 477-4244

Defensa de Mujeres (831) 722-4532

March 22, 1999

Board of Supervisors 701 Ocean St., Room 500 Santa Cruz CA 95060

RE: Application for Appointment to Domestic Violence Commission

Esteemed Supervisors:

I have been encouraged to apply for this appointment to the Domestic Violence Commission by several members of the Commission, including the Executive Director of my agency, Celia Organista. I am interested in serving on this Commission to better coordinate our agencies' activities and services in the community with other Commission members' agencies.

I am the Staff Attorney for Defensa de Mujeres and Women's Crisis, and have been with Defensa since September of 1995. I have seen our agericy grow tremendously in its Legal Program, and now, am pleased to be part of two united agencies. Although our services are limited to domestic violence, we have established relationships with other legal service providers, including Legal Access Monterey Bay, the Family Support Division of the District Attorney's Office, and the Family Court Facilitator. These relationships allow us to provide better information and referrals, and would enhance my participation on the Commission.

Last year, at the request of Sheriff Mark Tracy, I served the Commission on its Family Court task force, which is now a part of the Court (or Law) Subcommittee of the Commission. We worked together to try and examine the Family and Criminal Court processes and their impact on victims of domestic violence. Our goal was to better the court services, and to make suggested recommendations to the Superior Court judges. All this was also with the participation of Judge Kelsay, who sat with us in our team meetings. The work of this task force is on going. I would like to continue to participate in it, and on the larger Commission as well.

Thank you for your consideration of my application.

Respectfully,

Heidi Simonson Staff Attorney