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Subject: Portland Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Susan,

Thanks for the follow-up regarding my request to attend and speak at the City Council Meeting on March 20, 2013.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world. A sisterhood of more than 200,00 predominately Black college educated women, the sorority currently has over 900 chapters located in the United States, England, Japan (Tokyo and Okinawa), Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda and the Republic of Korea. The major programs of the sorority are based upon the organization's Five Point Programmatic Thrust

- Economic Development
- Educational Development
- International Awareness and Involvement
- Physical and Mental Health
- Political Awareness and Involvement

The sorority was founded in 1913 by 22 students at Howard University. These young women wanted to use their collective strength to promote academic excellence; to provide scholarships, to provide support to the underserved, educated and stimulate participation in the establishment of positive public policy, and to highlight issues and provide solutions for problems in their communities.

Delta Sigma theta Sorority, Inc. was the only African American women who participated in the "suffrage" march in March 1913. We returned on March 3, 2013 to celebrate 100 years for women to have the right to vote and use their influence to eliminate discrimination and bring equality for all women.

As a national organization we are celebrating our 100th years of public service. The Portland alumnae Chapter was established in Portland, Oregon in 1945. We have around 140 members in metropolitan Oregon and Washington.

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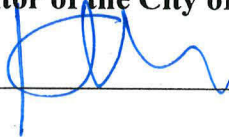
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