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Dear Metropolitan Human Relations Commission:

I am happy to submit my Mom, Judge Mercedes F. Deiz, in nomination for the 1988 Russell A. Peyton Human Relations Award.

She has not only been an inspiration to me, but to many others in the community through her tireless efforts to make this an America that works for every one of its citizens.

Please consider the enclosed nomination, and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bill Deiz
President

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**NOMINATION FORM FOR THE
RUSSELL A. PEYTON HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD**

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Name of individual or organization being nominated: _____

JUDGE MERCEDES F. DEIZ

Address: 9144 N. Chautauqua Blvd., Portland, Oregon 97217

Telephone number: 289-7793

If an individual is being nominated, please list professional or volunteer affiliations. Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow, Lecturer at Harvard Law School, League of Women Voters, Urban League, NAACP; Former: Chairman, State Advisory Committee to the U-S Civil Rights Commission; Former: Vice-Chairman, Urban League of Portland; Director, Portland/Guadalajara Sister Cities Program; Phi Delta Gamma; St. Phillips Episcopal Church, OMSI.

List accomplishments that the individual or organization is or has been actively involved in promoting civil and human rights. As the only Black woman judge in Oregon, Judge Deiz serves as a strong role model for all minorities. She frequently speaks out to our youth in forums at the grade school, high school and college levels, stressing the need for social change to eradicate racism and sexism. She constantly tries to influence young people--of all races--to expand their horizons. Her numerous awards include a citation from the Urban League for Devotion to the League's Concept of Equality; as well as being selected by Willamette Week in 1978 as one of the 10 most influential Blacks in Oregon; and a 1983 award as one of 10 outstanding Women of Oregon.

Why do you feel this individual or organization should receive the Russell A. Peyton Award? Judge Deiz has devoted her adult life to the cause of improving Human Relations through her commitment to racial and sexual equality and to the ideals by which she has lived. She

has been an inspiration to many, having risen from work as a legal secretary, to graduating from law school, to a career first as a lawyer and then as a Judge. She is a nationally-recognized expert in the field of Family Law and the overall court system. She also is a noted lecturer on the rights of minorities, race relations and juvenile law. As an Oregonian since 1948, she has been in the forefront of change, an advocate of working within the system to effect this change.

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