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November 2nd, 2023

Dear Ms. Montalvo,

I am writing to express my strong desire to become a member of the Peace Commission. My name is Juan, also known as Alex, and I am a student at The Sound School in New Haven. I am committed to making a positive difference within my community, and I believe that joining the Peace Commission will provide me with the perfect means of reaching out and helping those around me. I am drawn to the Peace Commission because I wish to create and maintain peace within our community and world. I believe this can be accomplished not only through interactions with one another but also within our relationship to the environment around us.

I bring several qualities and skills to the table that I believe would make me a valuable member of the Peace Commission. I am naturally sociable and feel very comfortable when speaking to large crowds, as well as interacting with individuals from various backgrounds. Over the years, I have had the chance to present numerous speeches at The Sound School. I have gained valuable experiences in effective communication because of this. I also have provided translation services at my church, Iglesia Estrella Resplandeciente de Jacob. This experience has strengthened my ability to bridge language and cultural differences.

My time at The Sound School has provided me with a number of opportunities to engage in community gatherings. Here, I have honed not only my speaking skills but also my listening skills. I understand the importance of truly listening to others and being able to convey one's thoughts effectively. I believe these to be natural qualities of a leader, especially someone who wishes to bring understanding and peace to those around them.

I am not content with only participating in a community, I am driven to be an active member of it. I am enthusiastic and excited about the chance to potentially work alongside you and my fellow Peace Commission members to promote peace and unity.

I look forward to the opportunity to discuss my potential role with the Peace Commission and to contribute to it in any way that I can. Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

Juan Alexander Morquecho Velazquez



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ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JUAN MORQUECHO VELASQUEZ TO THE PEACE COMMISSION AS A YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE.

BE IT ORDERED by the New Haven Board of Alders that the Mayor's appointment of Juan Morquecho Velasquez to the Peace Commission as a Youth Representative for a term ending February 1, 2027, be and hereby is approved. Mr. Morquecho is filling the vacancy left by Ms. Johanyx Rodriguez on the Commission.

This Order was Passed by the Board of Alders on 1/16/2024.

Signed, City Clerk

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