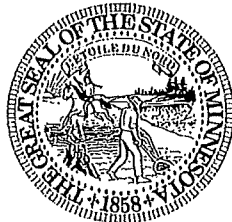


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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Abdirahman Mahmamude Muse

2520 Silver Lane NE
St. Anthony, MN 55421
County of Hennepin
Congressional District 5

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the office of:

DISTRICT 8

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Effective: March 4, 2019

Term Expires: January 2, 2023

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol in the City of Saint Paul, March 4, 2019.



Handwritten signature of Tim Walz in black ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Steve Simon in black ink.

Secretary of State

Replacing: Cara Letofsky

OFFICE OF THE MINNESOTA
SECRETARY OF STATE **STEVE SIMON**


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Application for the position District 8 Rep

Part I: Position Sought

Agency Name: Metropolitan Council
Position: District 8 Rep

Part II: Applicant Information

Name: Abdiraman Mahmamude Muse
Phone: 
Mailing Address: 2520 Silver Silver LN NE ST Anthony 55421
Email: abdirahmanmuse113@gmail.com
County: Hennepin
Felony Conviction: No
Mn House District: 41B
US House District: 5
Recommended by the Appointing Authority: False



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Part III: Appending Documentation

Cover Letter and Resume

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Cover Letter	application/vnd.openxmlformats-officedocument.wordprocessingml.document	
Resume	application/vnd.openxmlformats-officedocument.wordprocessingml.document	

Additional Documents (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt)

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Letter of Recommendation	muse-abdirahman-recommendation-nexus-metcouncil.pdf	

Part IV: Optional Statistical Information

Race and Natural Origin: African American or Black

Political Party: Democratic-Farm-Labor

Age: 37

Gender: Male

Disability: No Answer

Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin: No Answer

Part V: Signature

Signature: Abdirahman

Date: 11/30/2018 12:18:53 AM

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November 28, 2018

Transition Team - Office of Governor-elect Tim Walz & Lt. Governor-elect Peggy Flanagan

Thank you for your consideration of my interest in a position with the Administration of Governor-elect Walz and Governor-elect Flanagan. I am writing to you regarding my interest in several positions:

- District 8 representative for Metropolitan Council

I possess a decade-long labor advocacy experience, having led numerous successful union campaigns, such as the largest unionization drive in Minnesota and in TN & WA state where I organized and empowered workers, and working together, we won concessions that created more fair and just working conditions. As Senior Policy Aide and Labor Liaison in the Office of the Mayor, I worked very closely with City of Minneapolis union leaders to address their concerns while I also played a role in passing City's \$15 ordinance.

To let you know a little more about me, my experience and qualifications include:

- collaborating with diverse stakeholders as a Senior Policy Aide to the mayor
- building consensus and community engagement by planning events, informational sessions, and meetings on key issues to advance the mayor's policy priorities
- serving as Liaison to East African and Muslim community for the Mayor's Office
- serving as Liaison to Neighborhood and Community Relations Department for the Mayor's Office
- working closely with residents, police officers, departments citywide, advocates and small business owners to improve the city's livability
- dealing effectively with complex, urgent and tense situations on behalf of the Mayor
- utilizing strong planning, project management, problem solving and communication skills
- assisting Communications Director with managing media requests
- advancing equity and inclusion at the city enterprise

Enclosed for your review is my resume. I look forward to meeting with you and discussing how I can contribute to the success story of the Walz/Flanagan Administration.

Warm regards,

Abdi Muse

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Community advocate engaging multiple stakeholders to collaborate and exceed benchmarks.

KEY COMPETENCIES

- Proven track record of improving public policy
- Experience leading complicated projects from inception to successful completion
- Knowledge of tracking and measuring performance to achieve goals in complex settings
- Fluent English, Somali and Arabic

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

AWOOD CENTER, Minneapolis, 2018 to Present

Executive Director

- Manage day-to-day management of staff
- Oversee board development, recruitment and support.
- Chief media liaison and communications staff working with press
- Coordinate with other organizations within the East African community and beyond.
- Set the strategic direction of the organization and coordinating staff development
- Fundraise & work with allies and solicit their support for Awood Campaign
- Connect community members with legal community
- Plan and direct actions and organizing projects for growing organization
- Successfully engaged Amazon to negotiate better working conditions for employees; this was the first time Amazon has been known to negotiate employment conditions in the United States

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS, OFFICE OF MAYOR BETSY HODGES, Minneapolis, 2014-2017

Senior Policy Aide: Somali Community Liaison, Labor Liaison, Neighborhoods and Housing

- Led Mayoral priorities and initiatives focused on reducing disparities and improving community relations, job opportunities and housing equality.
- Worked closely with numerous department heads to accomplish targeted policies and projects.
- Addressed residents' questions and concerns. Sample of issues addressed included: housing and landlord issues; neighborhood problems; police relations; labor regulations; groups with strong prejudices.
- Briefed and prepped Mayor. Provided talking points and policy memos for staff meetings, Muslim/Somali events, community meetings, etc.
- Dealt with complex, high-impact issues calmly and effectively (i.e. hate callers; discrimination toward immigrants and minorities; public safety concerns).
- Collaborated with Minneapolis Police Department to de-escalate tense crime scenes on-site utilizing interpreters and providing education of cultural customs/behaviors/fears/etc. Provided support with investigation of Somali homicides.
- Recommended and led career pathways program to recruit, hire and retain minorities. Program encompassed departments citywide. Partnered with Human Resources and Employment and Training office to achieve objectives.

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- Designed and executed programs to strengthen police, community relations.
- Engaged with neighborhood organizations and residents seeking to end inequalities in funding and programs. Examples of equity successes include: communicating city programs in culturally suitable manners, more accessible lending for small businesses, encouraging minorities to contribute to city's advisory boards, expanding translation services, assisting disabled community members.
- Lobbied for and secured funding for large family housing as well as first-time homeowners.
- Addressed rent disparity; reduced displacements due to gentrification.
- Promoted interest-averse mortgage products to remove key obstacle to home ownership.
- Championed and secured funding for autism outreach, educational services.
- Drove Business Made Simple initiative resulting in translation of Minneapolis Health Department's food safety toolkit training for small businesses into Somali, Hmong and Spanish languages. Efforts received national recognition and improved regulatory compliance.

SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION (SEIU) HEALTHCARE, St. Paul 2011-2014
Union Organizer

- Assisted with organizational efforts for local initiatives to improve working conditions for home care and health care facility workers
- Co-led SEIU Health Care Minnesota's historic unionization campaign
- Assisted SEIU 1199 home care worker's successful unionization drive
- Played a leading role in Somali Remittance Campaign to reverse big banks' refusal to allow Somalis to send funds back home. Efforts were on local and national levels.
- Worked with community members and media to defeat voter ID Ballot Initiative
- Mobilized immigrant workers to vote and to become politically active

ONE AMERICA, Seattle, WA 2008-2009

Field Organizer

- Contributed to movements to end racial profiling; organize labor groups; reform immigrant and citizenship legislation.

TENNESSEE IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE RIGHTS COALITION, Nashville, TN 2006-2008

Community and Civil Liberties Advocate

- Initiated and coordinated the formation of Nashville Metro Taxi Drivers Alliance serving 600 members. Raised public awareness of working conditions for immigrant drivers.
- Co-led diverse coalition of immigrants and refugees to defeat English-only ordinance in Nashville.
- Served on Welcoming TN Initiative to promote cultural education and remove false biases. Focused on building consensus, appreciating common values; contributing to numerous efforts benefiting all state residents.
- Worked with Tennessee Human Rights Commission to resolve discrimination cases against East Africans in Shelbyville, TN.

EDUCATION

METRO STATE UNIVERSITY, St. Paul, MN
 Pursuing degree in Communications with emphasis in Professional Writing

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MINNEAPOLIS COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE, Minneapolis, MN
 Associate of Arts degree

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Statement last updated: 4/19/2019

Occupation: Director

Employer: Awood Center

2511 E Franklin Ave

Minneapolis, MN 55406

Positions held

Agency	Position held	Appointment date	Appointment ends	Appointment authority
Metropolitan Council (/reports-and-data/officials-financial-disclosure/agency/40200000/)	Member - District 8	3/4/2019	1/2/2023	Governor

Sources of income

Name of source	Relationship to source
	Director Officer Owner Member Partner Employer Employee Honorarium
Rays Global LLC	✓

Business or professional activity categories

None reported

Securities

None reported

Real property

None reported

Pari-mutuel horse racing interests

None reported