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August 8, 2024

Annapolis Democratic Central Committee  
1063 Cedar Ridge Ct.  
Annapolis, MD. 21403

Dear Members of the City Council Selection Committee,

I am writing to wholeheartedly recommend Genevieve Torri for the Ward One vacancy on the City Council, representing our community as a dedicated and dynamic Democrat. I have had the privilege of knowing and working alongside Genevieve for several years in various community initiatives, causes and campaigns and I am confident that her skills, experience, and commitment to public service make her an outstanding candidate for this position.

Genevieve has been an active participant in local government, leading successful political campaigns and is a champion of the arts, serving as Ward One appointed Commissioner for the Art in Public Places Commission for the City of Annapolis.

Genevieve's approach to leadership is inclusive and thoughtful. I have personally witnessed her listening carefully to the concerns of residents and working tirelessly to find solutions that address their needs. Her ability to connect with people from all walks of life and her passion to make a difference align perfectly with the core values of the Democratic Party. I am confident that Genevieve will bring a fresh and innovative perspective to the City Council while honoring the legacy of the retiring Alderman.

Thank you for considering this recommendation. Please feel free to contact me at 301-906-1067 or [Michael@mhmediastrategies.com](mailto:Michael@mhmediastrategies.com) should you require any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Hughes". The signature is stylized and slanted.

Michael Hughes

Annapolis Resident / Small Business Owner / Engaged Democrat / Volunteer

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Annapolis, MD 21401

August 16, 2024

Annapolis Democratic Central Committee  
1063 Cedar Ridge Court  
Annapolis, MD 21403

To whom it may concern:

It is a privilege to recommend Genevieve Torri to serve as Alderwoman, filling the vacant Ward 1 seat on the Annapolis City Council.

Ms. Torri is one of the most civic minded people I have known. She is engaged, organized, and efficient. Over her years as an Annapolis resident, Ms. Torri has been involved in the political process, most recently as Campaign Manager for Gavin Buckley's re-election in 2021. Additionally, Ms. Torri is a staunch advocate of diversity and equity in Annapolis, promoting collaboration across all the City's wards.

Ms. Torri's commitment to improving the Annapolis community was witnessed during her tenure as Commissioner of the Arts in Public Places Commission, as well as leadership on various other community organized events. A dynamic leader, Ms. Torri works closely with constituents and businesses alike, bringing an uplifting perspective to public service.

Thank you for your consideration of Ms. Genevieve Torri to the Annapolis City Council. She will bring integrity, commitment, and passion to improve the lives of all City residents. It is without hesitation that I give my full support to the application of Genevieve Torri for Ward 1 Alderwoman.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Navabi

# Kristin Saunders

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August 10, 2024

Members of the Annapolis Democratic Central Committee

Dear fellow Democrats,

I am writing to share my enthusiastic support for the appointment of Genevieve Torri to replace outgoing Annapolis City Council member Eleanor Tierney representing Ward 1. I have known Genevieve for several years as a neighbor, friend, and partner in community activity. I think she is an outstanding candidate to replace Ms. Tierney.

Having lived in Annapolis Ward 1 for more than 35 years, I am very familiar with the diverse community needs and high profile community issues as well as the mundane oversight and requirements of everyday governing. We have a wealth of assets here, not just in the form of buildings, water access, history and culture, but also assets in our people. Genevieve has proven not only to be an actively engaged professional in helping to promote excellent Democratic contenders into various levels of elected service but has equally been personally invested in making our community better, for everyone, not just Ward 1. She has served honorably to advance arts and entertainment, she has promoted local businesses, stood up several electronic platforms to keep our community connected and informed, helped people access decision makers and shared perspectives of those who don't hold a seat at the table or given voice in certain circles. She is always ready and willing to share points of contact at the state, local, and even federal level to help people solve constituent problems related to permits, housing, planning and zoning decisions and the like. Her network is tremendous and she is able to get things done or get answers to questions people have been seeking for a long time. Genevieve has made herself an accessible and useful resource for people needing help in our community. I have experienced it myself and seen it happen for others.

No doubt the Democratic Central Committee will receive interest from several qualified candidates to replace Ms. Tierney. I believe Genevieve is as far as you need to look. She has already been performing many of the roles of a typical council member out of care and concern for her neighbors and the City of Annapolis, without the

recognition of an elected office but because she cares to invest her time, energy and spirit to help others. This is exactly the type of council member I want representing my ward, and I hope you see her value as you make this auspicious decision.

Thank you for considering her an incredible candidate worthy of selection.

Sincerely,

Kristin Saunders

Déjah Désirée Williams, MPP  
Former AACDCC Chair



16 August 2024

Annapolis Democratic Central Committee  
[Committee Address]  
[City, State, Zip Code]

Dear Members of the Annapolis Democratic Central Committee,

I am writing to express my unwavering support for Ms. Genevieve Torri as the only clear choice for the Annapolis City Council Ward 1 vacancy. I have had the privilege of knowing Ms. Torri for almost four years. During this time, she has consistently demonstrated her commitment to leadership, service, and the values of community and democracy.

As the CEO and Founder of Phronesis Strategies in Annapolis, Ms. Torri has a track record of delivering successful strategies and building award-winning solutions for her clients through innovative platforms. Her leadership shone in 2021 when she directed Annapolis Mayor Gavin Buckley's successful re-election campaign, achieving a significant increase in voter turnout despite the challenging circumstances of a pandemic.

Continuing her impactful work in Maryland's District 30 during the 2022 election cycle, Ms. Torri supported candidates such as Delegate Dana Jones, Delegate Shaneka Henson, Senator Sarah Elfreth, Anne Arundel County Executive Steuart Pittman, and Anne Arundel County Councilwoman Lisa D. B. Rodvien. Her coordination of events in Annapolis for then-candidates Governor Wes Moore and Lt. Governor Aruna Miller further showcased her strategic acumen and commitment to Democratic values. As the Vice President of the D30 Democratic Club, she has played a pivotal role in strengthening local governance.

Ms. Torri's consistency in building trusted relationships across various community sectors through her unwavering work ethic and dedication to numerous projects is commendable. Her experience in project management and campaign directing has consistently promoted local community initiatives, broadening their reach and fostering economic growth.

Her advocacy for the sustainability of the Arts and Entertainment communities underscores her vision for leveraging the Arts as a vital platform for Economic Growth and Development. As the

former elected Chair for four consecutive years and the Ward 1 appointed Commissioner of the Art in Public Places Commission for the City of Annapolis, Ms. Torri co-leads a team of art entities, alongside The Arts Council of Anne Arundel County and Visit Annapolis, in developing a 10-year Art in The City Master Plan for the future of Annapolis's Arts' Community projects.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Ms. Torri's exemplary character shines through her family life. As a devoted wife and mother, she ensures her family remains civically engaged and actively participates in the daily happenings of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County. Not only do they participate, but they are also sponsors and hosts for numerous community activities.

In a city like Annapolis, where the small business economy is the lifeblood of the community, it is crucial for the next Alderman for Ward 1 to possess a deep understanding of the challenges faced by business owners and the capacity to create opportunities for them. Ms. Torri, a seasoned entrepreneur and small business owner, embodies these qualities.

When selecting a new Alderman, I urge the Annapolis Democratic Central Committee to consider a candidate with a proven track record of community investment. Ms. Genevieve Torri's dedication, vision, and commitment to service make her the most outstanding and consistent choice for the Annapolis City Council Ward 1.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Déjah Désirée Williams

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8/11/2024

Dear Annapolis Democratic Committee

I am writing to enthusiastically recommend Genevieve Torri for a position on the Annapolis City Council. I have known Genevieve for several years, and in that time, I have had the privilege of witnessing her dedication to our community, her commitment to public service, and their ability to bring people together to solve important issues.

As a person invested in the community and friend, I have seen firsthand Genevieve's passion for improving our city. She has been actively involved in creating a vibrant and inclusive community in Annapolis through her work campaigning for the Mayor and increasing awareness on the arts with Arts In Public Places Commission Annapolis, where they have consistently demonstrated leadership, integrity, and a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing our community.

Genevieve is a person of strong moral character, with a deep commitment to transparency, fairness, and inclusivity. Genevieve has a unique ability to listen to the concerns of all residents, regardless of their background or political affiliation, and work collaboratively to find solutions that benefit everyone. Genevieve's vision for our city is both ambitious and practical, and I am confident that they will bring fresh ideas and a new perspective to the City Council.

One of the qualities that sets Genevieve apart is her dedication to making our community a better place for everyone. She is not afraid to tackle difficult issues and have a proven track record of achieving tangible results. Whether it is advocating for better infrastructure, supporting local businesses, or promoting environmental sustainability, Genevieve has consistently shown that she is not only capable but also deeply committed to making positive change.

I believe that Genevieve has the experience, vision, and passion needed to effectively serve on the City Council. Genevieve's ability to bring people together, her commitment to public service, and her unwavering dedication to our community make her an ideal candidate for this important role. I wholeheartedly endorse Genevieve and encourage others to do the same.

Thank you for considering my recommendation. I am confident that Genevieve Torri will be a tremendous asset to the Annapolis City Council, and I look forward to seeing the positive impact they will have on our community.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Starkes

August 20, 2024

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to offer my wholehearted support for Genevieve Torri as she seeks to become the new Ward 1 Councilmember. As an active member of the Latino community and someone who has worked closely with Genevieve. I am confident that she will be an outstanding representative for our ward.

Throughout her years of service, Genevieve has consistently demonstrated a profound commitment to our community's needs and aspirations. Her involvement in various initiatives, including supporting the emblematic Day of the Dead Festival, has been instrumental in advancing causes that matter deeply to us. Whether through her efforts in community outreach, advocacy, or direct support, she has shown a genuine dedication to improving the quality of life for all residents.

One of the many qualities that set her apart is her ability to listen to and understand the diverse perspectives within our community. Her empathetic approach and strategic thinking have led to tangible outcomes that reflect the values and goals of our people. She has not only participated in but also contributed significantly to initiatives that have significantly benefited our community, demonstrating both leadership and collaboration.

Genevieve has proven to be a trusted leader who values transparency, integrity, and inclusiveness. Her track record of engaging with community members and her ability to advocate effectively on our behalf make her an ideal candidate for the position of Ward 1 Councilmember, a trusted partner for our community. I firmly believe that her vision and dedication will serve Annapolis well and contribute to a more vibrant and equitable future.

I am confident that she will bring the same level of dedication and excellence to the city council as she has shown in her past work.

Sincerely,



Laura Gutierrez





Kia T. Baskerville

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Annapolis, MD 21403  
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August 18, 2024

To Whom It May Concern, City Council Selection Committee:

I am writing to wholeheartedly recommend Genevieve Torri for the Ward 1 City Council seat in Annapolis, MD. I have had the pleasure of working closely with Genevieve on various local campaigns, and in that time, she has become a trusted ally and friend. Her deep commitment to our community, paired with her exceptional skills as a Democratic strategist, makes her the ideal candidate for this position.

Genevieve truly cares about the people of Annapolis and has demonstrated her love for this town time and again. She is not only fair and reasonable but also a brilliant problem solver who brings clarity and thoughtfulness to every situation. Her ability to listen intently and understand the needs of others is one of her greatest strengths. She knows how to navigate complex issues with both compassion and practicality, ensuring that all voices are heard and considered.

While Genevieve is a dedicated and empathetic leader, she also has a relentless attitude when necessary. She is tough when the situation demands it, and I have seen her stand firm in the face of challenges that would overwhelm others. This balance of strength and empathy is rare, and it is what makes her such an effective advocate for our community.

Genevieve is stepping into big shoes as she seeks to replace a long-time alderwoman who is retiring her seat. However, if there is anyone who can rise to this challenge, it is Genevieve. Her dedication, intelligence, and unwavering passion for making Annapolis a better place are qualities that will serve our city well.

I have every confidence that Genevieve Torri will be an outstanding representative for Ward 1, and I enthusiastically endorse her candidacy. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like further information.

Sincerely,

Kia T. Baskerville