

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 09/16/10**

**FROM: Youth Council Staff**

**For Discussion**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**SUBJECT: Youth Council Membership – Lori Minor**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S):** That the Workforce Investment Board ratify the Youth Council's decision to recommend the approval of Ms. Lori Minor, Supervising Probation Officer/Placement Unit Supervisor, Merced County Probation Department, for membership on the Youth Council and forward to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

**DISCUSSION:** A representative from “youth serving agencies, including juvenile justice and local law enforcement agencies” is a mandated membership category of the Youth Council (Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Section 117(h)).

Ms. Lori Minor applied for membership on the Youth Council. Ms. Minor has served in the Big Brother/Big Sister Program, participated in the “Promise to Youth” Summit, is a Central Valley Regional Center Board Member, participated in the “Drug Store” Educational Program, coached girls (8 years and under) softball team, and is a foster parent. Ms. Minor has been previously assigned to Merced High School and Golden Valley High School as the Probation Officer on campus and worked closely with staff and the youth on campus.

If recommended for membership, Ms. Minor will represent the juvenile justice Housing on the Youth Council.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** Membership Application.



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**Application for Nomination  
to the  
Youth Council**

Date: March 24, 2010

Name: Lori A. Minor Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Fax: none

Home email: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment: Merced County Probation Dept.  
Occupation/Position: Supervising Probation Officer/Placement Unit Supervisor

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Please answer the following questions with as much pertinent information about yourself as possible. This form will be used to evaluate your qualification for nomination to serve on the Youth Council.

If you need more room for your answers, please use an additional sheet of paper.

**1) List past or present involvement in community-related activities (i.e., committees, volunteer work, commissions, boards, chambers of commerce, etc.).**

- 1997 - Big Brother/Big Sister Program (became a big sister) - Phoenix, AZ
- 2000 (approx) - Participated in Promise to Youth Summit in Glendale, AZ
- 2002 to Present - Probation Officer in the Juvenile Division of Merced County Probation Dept.  
Currently the Placement Unit Supervisor
- 2003 - 2004 - Central Valley Regional Center Board Member
- 2005 (approx) - Participated in the "Drug Store" Educational Program at Livingston Middle School
- 2005 - Coached girls (8 yrs and under) softball team for Merced City Softball League
- 2007 thru 2009 - Attended Children Summits in Merced County
- 2007 (approx) - Became a foster parent

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**2) Explain your understanding of the purposes, responsibilities, and services offered by the Youth Council.**

Develop outreach programs for youth in the community. Inform local youth of available resources. Oversight of the Workforce Investment Act youth programs.

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**3) List all experiences you feel would be advantageous to the Youth Council.**

Bachelor's Degree in Social Psychology. Seven years working with juveniles through the Merced County Probation Department. Previously assigned to Merced High School and Golden Valley High School as the Probation Officer on campus - worked closely with staff and the minors on campus regarding the minors' welfare. Currently supervise the Placement Unit and work with foster youth who have many needs in the community.

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**4) Please list any other information that you feel would be pertinent to this application.**

I have been previously informed by DPO Nancy Silva that this is a useful and much needed Council and that she enjoyed her time on the Youth Council.

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**5) REFERENCES: List two references who can attest to your suitability for appointment to the Youth Council (please provide name, address and phone number).**

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**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

