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Esteemed members of City Council,

I am writing in regards to this evening's appointments to fill the 5 empty seats on GPAC.

As a member of the GPAC, I have found it extremely helpful to have a diversity of perspectives represented on the committee, which provide windows into ways of thinking and experiences we might not otherwise have such direct access to. As you know, more than most, some voices and perspectives are ever present.

With this in mind, I would ask that, as you weigh your choices, you **optimize for voices we don't hear from often**.

In reviewing the applications myself, I saw that most are folks we don't hear from often – which is encouraging! Many would be additive and a delight to work with. There were two applicants in particular that stood out to me, which I want to highlight for recommendation: **Elda Vazquez Izaguirre and Lizzie Wallack**.

I thank you for your time and consideration.

Josh

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