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*Regarding Consideration of Cesnae Crawford, Executive Director-Urban Services YMCA*

*Dear Children and Families First Commission,*

*I am writing in support of Cesnae Crawford's', consideration for the commissions seat appointment. I believe he is an exceptional candidate for this seat due to his years of experience serving youth and families in the City and County of San Francisco.*

*First, Mr. Crawford demonstrates the qualities that will add to and support the current commission. He is a natural at building partnerships, has a great heart and mind for the impact children and families face in our city, has experience with long range planning and implementation, and has creative problem-solving skills.*

*Moreover, Mr. Crawford is highly qualified for this appointment. He has held several positions within the Urban Services YMCA, which has created a strong foundation in understanding that supporting families with resources to meet their basic needs is key to the emotional well-being and protection of their children experiencing high levels of stress and/or trauma.*

*Finally, Mr. Crawford will surely exceed your expectations with a seat appointment, as evidenced by his well-deserved reputation within the community. Mr. Crawford has a strong network of community and business partners that are eager to continue to support his mission and purpose of eliminating poverty for families and children within San Francisco.*

*For these reasons, I strongly support selecting Cesnae Crawford for this seat. If you have any further questions about his qualifications, please don't hesitate to let me know. I can be reached at 628-224-1252.*

*Sincerely,*

*Nikon Guffey*



