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Rules Committee Members City Hall San Francisco, CA

Re: Mayoral Nominee, City Hall Preservation Commission, Clarence Blanchard

Dear Rules Committee Members:

My name is Cathy Handy and I am a retired Area Chief Procurement Officer with the Internal Revenue Service. I currently reside in the Portola District of the City of San Francisco. I am writing in strong support of Mayoral Nominee, Clarence Blanchard's appointment to the City Hall Preservation Commission.

I have been a resident of San Francisco since 1986, a graduate of Golden Gate University and Bellevue University. I retired from federal service in 2013. I know Mr. Blanchard on both a professional and personal level and wholeheartedly believe that he would be an invaluable commission member.

Mr. Blanchard is the sole proprietor of CLE Electric, a small black-owned electrical contracting company in the City. As a State of California Licensed Electrical Contractor he has been in business for over 35 years cultivating and maintaining and his business with distinction and integrity working with large and small clients throughout San Francisco and the Bay Area. His clients include Google, Go Daddy, Evolve (dba Frontero), the State of California, and numerous small businesses and private homeowners.

I was introduced to Mr. Blanchard in 2010 when I needed services performed on my home and rental properties. He is fair and honest and his reputation is beyond reproach; even in today's tech driven environment Mr. Blanchard is often called upon by emerging businesses for his extensive knowledge and experience in the electrical contracting arena.

It is for the above mentioned reasons, I strongly urge you to approve Clarence Blanchard's appointment. Thank you in advance for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Cathy P. Handy, Retired