

#### Ray O'Connell, Interim Mayor

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TO:	Michael Hanlon City Clerk	
FROM:	Ray O'Connell	RD

Interim Mayor

**DATE:** October 28, 2019

SUBJECT: Authorities, Boards, Commissions Appointments

Mayor O'Connell has approved the following appointment for City Council's consideration.

Name	Authority/Board/Commission	Term to Expire
Sandra Barnes	Allentown Housing Authority	11/05/2020

Ms. Barnes will be replacing Mr. John Sherry (resident member) of this authority. Her resume is attached for your review.

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Attachments

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IF YOU ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR REAPPOINTMENT, PLEASE INDICATE HOW MANY TERMS YOU HAVE SERVED \_\_\_\_\_AND THE YEAR YOU WERE FIRST APPOINTED

NOTE: This information will be used for making appointments to authorities, boards and commission and in the event you are appointed/reappointed, it may be used as a news release to identify you to the community.

Signature

10/21/2019 Date

Please forward this request for appointment, along with a resume to:

Mayor'S Office **City Hall 435 Hamilton Street** Allentown, PA 18101

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Sandra Barnes 1339 W. Allen St., #415 Allentown, PA 18102

December 02, 2018

Dear Allentown Housing Authority Board of Commissioners:

My name is Sandra Barnes. It has come to my attention that a position is to be available on the Allentown Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. Please, consider the following letter and portfolio as my official request for such post. I would like to serve both the board and residents as an assertive voice.

Let me briefly present some of my qualifications, which include not only work history info, but, also, community service activities. First, I was employed at Homeland Security for Trucking for Federal Government as the District Manager for 35 years. As of late, I have been a Lehigh County Poll Watcher for District 4.

Additionally, I served the residents of AHA Housing at The Towers as both Sergeant-at-Arms and Vice-President of their Tenant Council. I continued to serve by being an active member on the Residents Advisory Board. Currently, I serve as President of Tenant Council of Towers Residents Council Association.

I have been an activist to the end of getting a crosswalk on 14<sup>th</sup> Street for Gross Towers and Towers East in Allentown, PA. Additional involvements /activities are to be found in my portfolio which accompanies this letter. I believe that these credentials picture me as a people-person who gets things done as I like helping people.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Hopefully, I will be continuing to serve as a member on the Allentown Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

Respectfully Yours,

Annabra Barnes President of the Towers Tenant Council



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March 14, 2018

Ms. Sandra Barnes 1339 W. Allen Street Apt. 415 Allentown, PA 18102

Dear Ms. Barnes:

On behalf of the Allentown Housing Authority Board of Commissioners and staff, I congratulate you on being elected President of the Gross Towers and Towers East Resident Association. We hope your term as president positively benefits the resident you were elected to serve.

We look forward to working with you and should you need any assistance please contact Lenny Jenkins in Social Services at 610-439 8678 Ext. 232.

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Sincerely, Allentown Housing Authority

Daniel Farrell Executive Director



"Towers Residents Council Association" 1339 W. Allen Street Allentown, PA 18102

September 26, 2015

#### Dear TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN :

Sandra Barnes has exhibited outstanding leadership skills, most especially with her presentation and practice of reports on both incidents as well as accidents at Gross Towers and Towers East. Also, her initiation and implementation of the number system with regard the Food Box shows her creativity and dedication.

Sandy is an excellent people person who has served the community and Tenant Council well with regard safety and security. Furthermore, Sandy exceeded herself with participation in two Chinese Raffles and two Bake Sales by ever willing to help as needed. Finally, her organization of the "Senior Health Fair 2015" at The Towers proved quite successful and worthy of praise.

With the above letter, I am taking a moment to let Sandy know how much that her efforts as Sergeant-at-Arms and otherwise are appreciated. I am sending a thanks. Thank you!

Sincerely Yours,

Mary C. Rishcoff

Mary C. Rishcoff President

MIKE SCHLOSSBERG, MEMBER 132ND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

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House of Representatives commonwealth of pennsylvania harrisburg

5/23/2018

Ms. Sandra Barnes 1339 W Allen St Apt 415 Allentown, PA 18102

Dear Ms. Barnes: Same 6

Congratulations on your election to the Lehigh County Democratic Committee! I have no doubt you will continue to bring remarkable commitment to your responsibilities.

Despite the cynics and pundits who criticize those who serve in public office, I believe what we do in government matters, that we can make a difference and that our actions can be a force for good. I am certain that you share this belief and hope you will carry these sentiments.

Once again, congratulations! As always, if I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mike Schlossberg 132<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District House of Representatives

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# Mike Schlossberg for Representative

June 16, 2018

Mrs. Sandra Barnes 1339 W. Allen Street, Apt. 415 Allentown, PA 18102

Dear Mrs. Barnes:

According to official Lehigh County election results, you have been elected as a Democratic committee person in Allentown 8-4. Congratulations!

I cannot tell you how thankful I am that you – and so many others – have chosen to get involved in the local Democratic party. As the past few election cycles have demonstrated, the only way to build a successful progressive, Democratic governing coalition is with the creation of a strong grassroots organization. Your election can help do just that.

Two other points. First, please know that my job your State Representative is to be responsive to you. If I can ever be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to reach me at <u>MichaelSchlossberg@gmail.com</u>. You can also connect with me on Facebook (www.facebook.com/MikeSchlossberg) or Twitter (http://www.twitter.com/MikeSchlossberg).

In the future, I hope that we can pull together annual meetings to discuss legislative and political issues. Please know that if you ever need anything, don't hesitate to reach out.

Thank you, once again, for your dedication and passion! We need people like you to continue our local success!

Sincerely

Mike Schlossberg State Representative, 132<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District

Thank you, again!

PO Box 1537 – Allentown, PA 18105

# MsPhoebe Harris

1817 17<sup>th</sup> Street SW Allentown, PA 18103 Cell: 443.252.4256 Email: msphoebe9@gmail.com

July 19, 2018

My Fellow Committeeperson,

Greetings, I am Phoebe Harris and a proud Allentown Democrat from District 12-3. I am running for the position of Allentown City Democratic Committee Chairperson and I would like to request your support and vote. Please take a moment and allow me to share with you my attributes within Allentown and my vision on our organization's future.

I support the Puerto Rican Cultural Preservation (PRCP) as the Volunteer Coordinator. Also, I am a partner at Casa Dominica as the Scholarship Pageant Coordinator. In addition, last year I campaigned for the Allentown School District Board of Directors position. Walking through the different Districts, I canvassed and knocked on the doors of over 12,300 homes, making it possible to register over 200 residents.

Currently, I am working with John Gedney, MTV Producer on the First Ever Campaign project; as well as working with Mark Ruffalo's group, **We Stand United** and Rosario Dawson's group, **Voto Latino.** This initiative is to highlight the *Allentownian's* story at a nationwide level and to inspire first-time voters.

Most certain the position as Chairperson for the Allentown City Democratic Committee is extremely crucial due to the essential roles that the Committee delivers to the community. Therefore, the committee must be structured in an effective order to succeed in candidate elections and educating the public about our roles and vision.



#### WATCHER'S CERTIFICATE

#### LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

#### This will certify that **Sandra Barnes**, residing at **1339 W Allen St Apt**

415, Allentown PA, has been appointed

As a WATCHER for Whitehall 5 - District

#### By the **Democratic Party** to serve at the General Election to be held on

November 6, 2018. Witness our hands and official seal, this November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

LEHIGH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

SEAL

Timothy A. Benyo, Chief Clerk

NOTE: Parties are entitled to three Watchers per district where included on the ballot, but no party shall be represented by more than one watcher in the same Election Room at any one time.

# Pedestrian Injury Brings Crosswalk Improvements and Increased Activism

Injuries to a Gross Towers resident caused by a hitand-run driver have brought safety improvements to the crosswalk frequented by residents traveling to a nearby shopping center and supermarket and a stronger voice in city affairs.

Sandra Barnes, president of the Gross Towers Resident Council, began circulating a petition for crosswalk markings and flashing lights after a man in his 60s was hit near the shopping center entrance. The results and introductions she made during the process have since inspired her to run for a local elected position to give tower residents better representation in the local political process, she said.

The accident occurred in January and the street improvements were installed in early March, Barnes said.

The city will install the thermo-plastic crosswalk when the weather permits, said city spokesman Mike Moore. The city is ready to assist with preparation of a permit application to PennDOT for a lighted crosswalk signal, but the cost of it would have to be borne by the AHA, he added.

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council I'm very involved in housing and I talk to Mr. Farrell all the time," Barnes said, referring to Allentown Housing

The date has not been confirmed but residents will be informed when it is set, she said.



Authority Executive Director Dan Farrell. She also praised AHA Social Service Director Lenny Jenkins for his assistance with the council.

> "I do different things for my residents and our committees," Barnes said. "Now I am going into politics so we can be more involved in things going on in the community."

> The man who was hit by the car suffered injuries to his foot and leg but is recovering, Barnes said.

> Barnes said the resident council is working on a variety of programs for the community, including a health fair that will be held in July.



### TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Thank you so much for serving as a volunteer this year. We are so blessed to have you as part of our family here at Gross Towers Senior Center.

You have done an excellent job, and we are grateful for the time you have given us. You truly made a difference in the lives of our seniors. Thank you for your time, energy, and generosity.

### You truly 'LIFT OUR SPIRITS'.

Chank You

# Certificate of Appreciation

this certificate is awarded to:

# Sandra Barnes

In recognition of valuable contributions to the Neighborhood Senior Center Program

Gross Towers

Heather Strohm

Heather Strohm Senior Center Services Director



October 25, 2018