COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE

Date 4/15/08

Applying For: Area Board IX on Developmental Disabilities Appointment
(NAME OF BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE)

Name: Vasconcellos Ruth
Last First Middle Initial

Address:
Number Street City Zip Code

Home Phone _____ Business Phone n/a

Supervisorial District 2 Years resided in the county? 5 full time (property owner since 1988 in SLO County)

Present Occupation/Employer: Retired

If retired, past occupation/employer:
Torrance Unified School Teacher- Resource Specialist Teacher

Education: Masters in Special Education- Learning Handicapped Credential, Language Specialist Certificate, Resource Specialist Credential

List any school courses, volunteer activities, special skills, training, certificates, licenses or work experience that you feel relate to your qualifications. If you like, you may attach a separate sheet for this purpose or to state your qualifications.

- Development of Disability Awareness program for elementary + middle school students.
- Previous special education teacher in Southern Calif.
- In early 80's founded parent advocacy group in So. Calif.
- Current assistant Coach with Special Olympics of SLO Co.
- Mid 1990's served as parent representative on grant review committee with Harbor Regional Center, Torrance, C.A.

Previous service on county or city advisory bodies or an elected office (names/dates):

- Served as Senior Advisor with autism program under Ivar Lovaas, UCLA 1974- 1985.

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Membership in Organizations:

- Board of Directors Member, Heritage Shared
- President Elect of St. Timothy's Catholic Women's Guild
- Volunteer Coaching position with Special Olympics SLO County
- Parent rep. on grant Committee with ~~Tri-Cou~~ Harbor Regional Center, Torrance, CA.

Please explain why you would like to serve (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

My husband and I have maintained a strong advocacy role for our 35 year old autistic son both in Southern Calif. and now with his placement in North SLO County. Thus, we are familiar with regional center services.

We currently coach Special Olympics, North County and are aware of services + programs for the disabled of SLO County.

Placement on Area Board IX on Developmental Disabilities would further our knowledge of services for this population and allow us to give of our time and skills as needed.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings or subcommittees? ✓ YES ____ NO

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission? ✓ YES ____ NO

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Date called/interviewed_____ Recommended for appointment? ____YES ____NO

Appointee prefers not to have address or phone number(s) published? ___YES___NO

Additional Comments:

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Name: Vasconcellos, Ronald J
Last First Middle Initial

Address:
Number Street City Zip Code

Home Phone (Business Phone N/A

Supervisorial District 2 Years resided in the county? 5 yrs Full Time
(Property owner in SLO County since 1988

Present Occupation/Employer: Retired

If retired, past occupation/employer: Manager, Engineering @ Space & Communications Division – Hughes Aircraft / Boeing Space Systems

Education: Bachelor of Science – Mech Engineering, Cal Poly Univ – SLO

List any school courses, volunteer activities, special skills, training, certificates, licenses or work experience that you feel relate to your qualifications. If you like, you may attach a separate sheet for this purpose or to state your qualifications.

- Currently Coaching Special Olympics (weekly) – North SLO County since 2004
- Trained under Dr Ivar Lovaas @ UCLA in the Autism Project, 1974-1985. Performed daily Therapy / Intercession training with our Autistic son and Dr Ivar Lovaas' Psychology Grad & under Grad Students

Previous service on county or city advisory bodies or an elected office (names/dates):

N/A

(OVER)

Membership in Organizations:

- Volunteer Coach for Special Olympics - SLO County - Weekly Practice & Tournaments
- Leader St Timothy KofC Men's Group (Morro Bay) - Work on charities/Fundraisers for Special Olympics, Youth and Nursing scholarships

Please explain why you would like to serve (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

My wife and I have been very involved with our own disabled son's therapy and Education/Day program since birth. Additionally, my wife and I have remained very involved with the Regional Centers and negotiating supplementary services for our son. I feel it is important to understand the unique needs of the 'Disabled' population and to tailor services, where possible between Day/Education programs and/or vocational placement or training.

The weekly Special Olympics coaching has enabled my wife and I to personally know a large 'population' of the 'Special Needs' community in SLO County. We interface with a large number of the County care providers and the variety of services

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