

County of Monterey Valerie Ralph CLERK OF THE BOARD BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Commission On The Status Of Women Application Martha Alejandra Gonzalez

District: 2 Initialed Application: Yes

Applicant

First Name: **Martha Alejandra** Middle Initial: Last Name: **Gonzalez**

Employment

Occupation: Clerical/Secretary Job Title: Administrative Assistant III Employer: North Monterey County Unified School District

Interests and Experiences

Able to attend meetings regularly and devote the time necessary to fulfill duties as a member?

Yes

Currently serving on a County of Monterey Board, Commission, Committee or other Community Advisory Group?

Yes

On Tuesday, March 18th, 2025 I was appointed to serve on the Community Action Commission

Has served on an advisory group before?

Yes

In November of 2020 I was elected by my North Monterey County community to be a Trustee on Hartnell Community College District's Board of Trustees.

Please tell us about yourself and why you want serve:

I have been a proud member of the North Monterey County community for over 13 years and am deeply committed to supporting the success of our community and residents. I believe that I have the dedication and insight necessary through my experience in education and service to contribute meaningfully to the Commission

and the community that it serves.

Please state the reason you would like to be a member of this board committee/commission/district:

I am interested in serving on the Commission on the Status of Women because it would allow me to bring forward initiatives that empower women and address the unique challenges that we face; such as, discrimination based on sex, age, parental or marital status. Being on the Commission, I would be able to work to promote equality in housing, education, employment, and community services. My experience in education, community service, and leadership has given me the insight and dedication necessary to contribute meaningfully our community. I believe in collaboration in creating positive change and I would be honored to serve in this capacity. Through collaboration, advocacy, and education, I hope to assist in developing policies and programs that empower women and ensure rights and opportunities for all. I would like to work alongside others to create a more inclusive and equitable Monterey County.

How did you hear about the position?:

My friend Marilynn Vierra, who works for the County of Monterey, invited me to see the different Commissions that participate in the well-being of the County and her residents and community members.