Richard K. (Rick) Grinnell

April 20, 2010

Honorable Mayor and Council Members
City of Tucson
c/o
City Clerk's Office
Roger Randolph, Clerk
255 W. Alameda
Tucson, AZ 85701

Re: Appointment to Ward II City Council Seat

Honorable Mayor Walkup, Members of the Tucson City Council and the Citizens of Tucson:

Thank you in advance for your consideration of my request to fulfill the remaining term of the vacated Ward II City Council seat.

Given the challenges of our economy with many needs and dwindling resources, it is imperative that this position be filled by an individual with the greatest amount of knowledge, experience and passion to serve. Although this appointment is desired by several good people, I believe my current and historical perspective on local, economic, political and civic issues provide the best opportunity to represent not only the good citizens of Ward II, but all our citizens.

I am convinced the perceived challenges presented by partisan politics are minimal and I look forward to working with a professional team that is focused on the best interests of our community under the concept of, *Stewardship of the Whole*. Further, I will bring an open and thoughtful mind to all the facts when making decisions and incorporate the integrity, respect and discipline commanded by this responsibility.

Again, thank you for your time and consideration to this most important appointment. I look forward to speaking with any concerned persons regarding this appointment. I may be reached by phone [redacted]

Respectfully Submitted,

Rick Grinnell

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Education

2000 **University of Phoenix** BS, Business Management.

1977-93 **Pima Community College**

1973 **Salpointe High School**

"The body expires when the mind retires; never quit learning my son" Francis Grinnell-My Grandpa

Professional Experience

2009-Present **Smart United Business Strategies, Inc., Founder, Registered Lobbyist**
Advocate and lobby local and state government bodies and bureaucracies on behalf of business issues for the betterment of all the Southern Arizona Community.

Rick Grinnell Business & Marketing Consulting. President, Registered Lobbyist
Marketing and Consulting efforts representing individual clients.

2001-08 **Metro Restaurants, Director of Marketing**
Responsible for marketing, advertising and public relations of eight restaurants and two golf courses.

1997-01 **Grinnell Enterprises, Principal**
Marketing and vocational rehabilitation consulting, specializing in Workers Compensation, legal research in employment law. Business consulting services; including design and implementation of target marketing, advertising and direct sales programs. Portfolio of clients included retail, service, transportation, construction and hospitality businesses.

1994-97 **Dorothy Kret and Associates, Employment Specialist**
Provided education and vocational training to assist individuals with disabilities and barriers to obtain and maintain employment. Specialized in Workers Compensation cases, provided labor market and litigation research and job development assistance.

1988-93 **Cactus Casual, General Manager- Minority Owner, Patio Connection- Manger**

1985-88 **Grinnell Insurance, Multi Lines Agent, Series 6 & 63 Licensed Representative**
Specialized in marketing employee benefit programs and workers compensation products.

1983-85 **The Prudential Insurance Company, Agent, Series 6 & 63 Licensed Representative**

1973-77 **U. S. NAVY - HONORABLE DISCHARGE**-(Service Connected Disabled-Viet Nam Era)
Aviation Electrician/Trouble Shooter, VF-114 Carrier Air Wing 11, USS Kitty Hawk CV-63

Community Service

2008 -Present **Board Member, Pima County Sports and Tourism Authority**

2003-Present **Co-Chair - Children's Miracle Network Charity Golf Tournament**

2002-07 **Advisory Board Member – Big Brothers/Sisters -** Tucson Arizona

1994-05 **ST. Patrick's Day Parade Committee** - Member, President 2002, 03

2002-05 **Tucson Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce**
Local Government Committee Member

2002-03 **Better Business Bureau** - Board Member

2000- 02 **City of Tucson Budget Advisory Committee -** Member

1999 **Candidate - Tucson City Council, Ward II,** Won the Ward, lost city wide vote by 3.5%

1997-99 **Citizens Police Advisory Review Board** - Voting Board Member

1996-98 **ACJC - Crime Victims Compensation Fund -** Voting Board Member

1993-98 **Crime Victim Assistance League -** Secretary Treasurer(96), Board Member

1996-97 **Domestic Violence Commission -** Commissioner

1994-97 **Community Action Network-**Neighborhood Safety, Co-Chair;
Produced a Community Resource Map Book containing over six hundred social service entities, with emphasis on youth, public safety and victim services.

1995 **Candidate - Tucson City Council, Ward II,** Won the Ward, lost city wide vote by 7%

1983-86, 89-90 **Sahuaro Little League –** Sponsor and Coach

Additional Training

1997-98 **CITIZENS POLICE ADVISORY REVIEW BOARD**
1996 **WORKERS COMPENSATION IN ARIZONA** CRC, CCM Accreditation
1995-96 **ARIZONA TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION** Bad faith and unfair claims practices;
1994-96 **ARIZONA WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIMS ASSOCIATION**
Rules and regulations; Legal changes in Administrative policies & decisions.
1994-96 **INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF ARIZONA**
Policies, Procedures & Implementation of Regulations
1984-88 **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS (NASD)**
Licensed Agent - Series 6 and 63
1983-88 **INSURANCE - LIFE, ACCIDENT, HEALTH, PROPERTY AND CASUALTY**
Licensed Agent - Member, Life Underwriters' Association
1983-84 **LIFE UNDERWRITERS TRAINING COUNSEL, (LUTC)**

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST