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Gary Christenson, Mayor

June 29, 2021

Malden City Council
215 Pleasant Street
Malden, MA 02148

Dear Members of the City Council:

By this correspondence, I present for confirmation the appointment of Mikeneil Paul, 10 Manomet Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts, as Program Coordinator of the Senior Center, said term to expire three (3) years from the date of appointment.

I ask for your consideration of Mikeneil who was recommended to me for the position by an interview panel consisting of Human Resources Director, Anthony Chiccuarelli; DEI Officer, Bybiose Laroche; Chief of Staff, Maria Luise and three representatives from Mass Senior Action Council. Mikeneil holds a master's degree in Public Health and has worked for the past three (3) years as the Program Director of an adult health center here in Malden. His varied background and experience in program planning, working with seniors and managing a center will directly benefit our Senior Center members. Further, he has experience working with culturally diverse communities and is fluent in Haitian Creole, French and Spanish.

Mikeneil will not be able to begin the new role until July 30th given his responsibilities at his current employment. Since the City Council's last meeting before the summer recess is Tuesday, June 29th and the confirmation process will not be completed until meetings resume in September, please be informed that I will be appointing Mikeneil to serve as the temporary interim/acting Senior Center Program Coordinator until such time as the confirmation process can be completed. This will assist us with our goal of restoring Senior Center operations as soon as he is available.

Again, I believe that Mikeneil Paul is a perfect candidate for the Program Coordinator position and that he will be a great asset to our team. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

GARY CHRISTENSON
Mayor, City of Malden