




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Leika Suzumura		
Board/Commission Name: Sugar Sweetened Beverage Tax Advisory Commission		Position Title: "Member" or legislated position title
X Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		Council Confirmation required? X Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> Council X Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Fill in appointing authority	Date Appointed: 9/1/2017	Term of Position: * 9/1/2017 to 8/31/2019
Residential Neighborhood: Beacon Hill	Zip Code: 98118	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: Leika Suzumura is a community nutrition educator dedicated to improving the health and well being of her community. Leika earned her BS in Nutrition from Bastyr University and completed her dietetic internship at SeaMar Community Health Clinic to become a Registered Dietitian. She has been working in the Rainier Valley of South Seattle for 10 years, providing experiential and community driven opportunities for people to learn and share food traditions that support health, connect us to our community and honor the land our food comes from. Her approach to nutrition is deeply rooted in cultural tradition, bringing people together around shared meals as a way to nourish ourselves and celebrate life. Leika is particularly passionate about working towards resolving issues of social injustice that lead to health disparities. To do this, she collaborates with community organizations to actively find solutions that can uplift the community and reduce suffering resulting from systemic oppression. She has a wide variety of experiences working with diverse cultures and presenting nutrition in a way that is relevant and meaningful. She recently served on the Community Partner Steering Committee as a representative for Tilth Alliance (formerly Seattle Tilth) as part of the Mayor's Environmental Equity Initiative. When Leika is not cooking and eating with the community, she can be found playing Capoeira or hosting an event at the Union Cultural Center where her and her husband manage a cultural arts studio with their two children.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 		Appointing Signatory: Edward B. Murray Mayor, City of Seattle

*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not appointment date.

WORK EXPERIENCE

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| Nutrition Program Manager, The Bennett Foundation | March 2017 - present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create 8-week nutrition education curriculum for 5th graders incorporating math, science and literacy• Develop evaluation and assessment tools to measure impact• Outreach to schools, community organizations and public health to develop a sustainable network | |
| Cooking and Nutrition Programs Director, Seattle Tilth | March 2011 – Feb 2017 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supervise staff and interns, create and evaluate work plans, manage projects and events• Manage division budget and invoicing, including quarterly reforecasting and grant reporting• Lead community dinners and afterschool cooking clubs, provide technical assistance to communities and schools interested in starting community kitchens• Provide Farm to Table trainings for childcare staff and families, schools and community organizations | |
| Nutrition Educator, Puget Sound Consumer Co-op (PCC) | Sept 2008 – May 2013 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Led store tours providing nutrition education for customers and special groups• Provided staff training in nutrition education, sustainable food systems and quality standards• Created material for various media: articles, blogs, videos and podcasts | |
| Family Community Kitchen Coordinator, Seattle Foundation Grant | Sept 2010 - May 2011 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Developed program outline, secured fiscal sponsorship and partnership with WIC clinic• Facilitated monthly community dinners and adapted lesson plans to participant interest• Created outreach plan with participants to reach a broad audience of low income families | |

EDUCATION

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| • Dietetic Internship – SeaMar Community Health Center | June, 2008 |
| • Bastyr University - Bachelor of Science in Nutrition | June, 2006 |

ORGANIZATION INVOLVEMENT

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| • Society of Nutrition Education and Behavior member | Mar 2011 – present |
| • International Capoeira Angola Foundation – Treasurer | July 2007 - present |
| • Union Cultural Center - Community Organizer | Jan 2009 – present |
| • American Dietetic Association- Hunger and Environment Group member | Sept 2005 – present |
| • Mayor Murry's Environmental Equity Initiative – Steering Committee | Oct 2015 – April 2016 |
| • Greater Seattle Dietetic Association - Board Treasurer | Sept 2008- June 2010 |

PRESENTATIONS

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| • Nutrition Presentation – Lower Brule Indian Reservation | June, 2017 |
| • Children's Hospital Nutrition Conference - Program Presenter | September, 2015 |
| • Society of Nutrition Education and Behavior – Poster session | August 2013 |
| • WIC Conference – Cooking with Clients Presentation | May, 2013 |
| • Parent Map – <i>Ask the Nutritionist</i> Articles | Mar 2012 – May 2013 |
| • Growing Power – Urban and Small Farm Conference – Presenter | September, 2012 |
| • Seattle University – Food Justice Panelist | April, 2012 |
| • WSFNC –Appreciating our Cultural Roots - Workshop Presenter | September 17, 2010 |

Sweetened Beverage Tax Community Advisory Board

11 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 125324, all members subject to City Council confirmation, two- and four-year terms for initial appointments, four-year terms thereafter:

- 5 City Council-appointed
- 6 Mayor-appointed

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
			1.	Food Access Representative		9/1/2017	8/31/2021	1	Council
			2.	Food Access Representative	Christina Wong	9/1/2017	8/31/2019	1	Mayor
			3.	Food Access Representative	Leika Suzumura	9/1/2017	8/31/2019	1	Mayor
			4.	Community Representative		9/1/2017	8/31/2019	1	Mayor
			5.	Community Representative		9/1/2017	8/31/2019	1	Council
6	M	3	6.	Public Health Representative	Jim Krieger	9/1/2017	8/31/2019	1	Council
3	F	4	7.	Public Health Representative	Laura Flores Cantrell	9/1/2017	8/31/2021	1	Council
			8.	Public Health Representative	Jessica Jones-Smith	9/1/2017	8/31/2021	1	Mayor
			9.	Public Health Representative	Jessica Marcinkevage	9/1/2017	8/31/2021	1	Mayor
6	F	4	10.	Early Learning/ Education Representative	Mackenzie Chase	9/1/2017	8/31/2021	1	Council
			11.	Early Learning/ Education Representative		9/1/2017	8/31/2021	1	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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	Men	Women	Transgender	Unknown	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor													
Council													
Other													
Total													

Key:

*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

G List *gender*, **M= Male, **F**= Female, **T**= Transgender, **NB**= Non-Binary **O**= Other **U**= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.