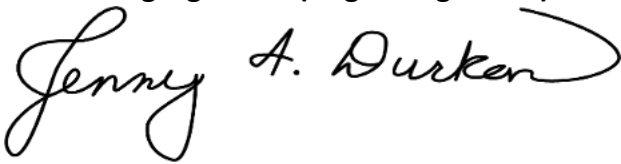


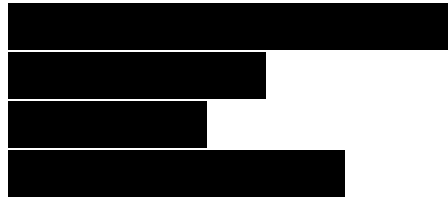


City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Rita Howard		
Board/Commission Name: Seattle Housing Authority Board		Position Title: Resident Commissioner; Position #1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		Term of Position: * 3/21/2019 to 3/20/2023 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: Ravenna	Zip Code: 98115	Contact Phone No.:
Background: <i>I am a retired nine-year resident of SHA's senior housing. I am very much committed to contributing to community, whether at the local level of the Ravenna School Apartments, where I currently reside, or on the larger stages of the city, state, country, or world. I have served as an officer of the Ravenna School Apartments Resident's council and contribute to causes in which I believe, including voter registration and cross-neighborhood liaisons through Seattle Parks and Recreation. I have an abiding interest in equity and service to the most vulnerable among us. The provision of low-income housing is certainly a cornerstone of how we take care of our community. It would be an honor and a privilege to serve on the SHA Board of Commissioners as a representative of SHA residents.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 		Appointing Signatory: Jenny A. Durkan Mayor, City of Seattle
Date Signed (appointed): 1/15/21		

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

Rita Howard



PERSONAL STATEMENT

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CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Member: Advisory Council of the Ravenna Eckstein Community Center

Member: Ravenna Park Community Gardeners

Member: First AME Church, Seattle

Facilitator: Grief Support Groups

Member: Board of Directors of the MLK Community Center

Volunteer: University Food Bank

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Technical Writing and Curriculum Development

Instruction and Facilitation (pre-K through College and Adult Ed)

Therapeutic Gardening and Landscape Management

ESL instruction

PREVIOUS EMPLOYERS

Self-employed

Seattle Public Schools

Microsoft

Boeing

The University of Rhode Island (Director of the Writing Center)

EDUCATION

BA from the University of California, Berkeley in Ethnic Studies

MA from California State University, Sonoma in Education

Certified ESL Instructor

Certificate in Therapeutic Garden Design, University of Washington

Certificate in Horticulture, Edmonds Community College

