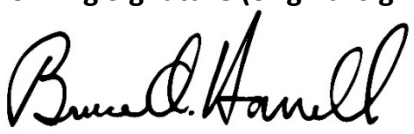
City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: *Kamala Saxton*		
Board/Commission Name: *Seattle Center Advisory Commission*		**Position Title:** *Member*
☐ **Appointment** ***OR*** ☒ **Reappointment**	**City Council Confirmation required?** ☒ Yes ☐ No	
Appointing Authority: ☐ City Council ☒ Mayor ☐ Other:	**Term of Position: *** 9/29/2024 **to** 9/28/2027 ☐ *Serving remaining term of a vacant position*	
Residential Neighborhood: *Seward Park*	**Zip Code:** *98118*	**Contact Phone No.:** [redacted]

Background:

Kamala Saxton is an accomplished entrepreneur with over 20 years of experience in the hospitality, education and nonprofit management sectors. She's the co-founder of Seattle's food-truck-turned-restaurant Marination, a fast casual restaurant group with brick and mortar locations in Columbia City, West Seattle, South Lake Union, T-Mobile Park as well as a corporate catering unit. Kamala has been the investor in several hospitality businesses and a start-up baby food business.

Kamala serves on the Board of Directors for UPower and the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and lives in Seward Park with her son, Kainoa.

Authorizing Signature (original signature):  **Date Signed (appointed):** **July 19th, 2024**	**Appointing Signatory:** *Bruce A. Harrell* *Mayor of Seattle*

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

KAMALA **SAXTON**

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EXPERIENCE

6/2009 – CURRENT

CO-OWNER, MARINATION LLC

- Developed original menu and recipes
- Hired and trained staff
- Preformed all restaurant management duties
- Implemented a marketing plan
- Managed media and PR plan
- Launched additional restaurant locations and catering business

1/1/2007 – 2009

EDUATION CONSULTANT, SELF-EMPLOYED

- Developed recruiting strategy for educational partnership
- Worked on marketing strategy with local school districts

2004-2007

MATCH SCHOOL, DIRECTOR MATCH CORPS

- Launched high profile education initiative
- Recruited, trained a team of 45 tutors

2000-2004

BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION, PUBLIC ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

- Provided onsite training to libraries and Native American Chapter Houses regarding public access to technology and internet access

EDUCATION

2001

MASS COMMUNICATION, MENLO COLLEGE

ACTIVITIES

- Seattle Mayor's Small Business Council, Co-Chair
- UPower, Board Member

Seattle Center Advisory Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to Ordinances 91885 and 108936, 3-year terms; 1 Member pursuant to Ordinance 121568, 1-year term; all members subject to City Council confirmation:

- 16 Mayor- appointed

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
1	M	7	1.	Member	Koichi Kobayashi	9/29/22	9/28/25	2	Mayor
1	F	2	2.	Member	Joy R. Shigaki	9/29/22	9/28/25	1	Mayor
6	M	7	3.	Member	Michael George	9/29/22	9/28/25	2	Mayor
6	M	7	4.	Chair	Mark F. Dederer	9/29/22	9/28/25	5	Mayor
6	F	7	5.	Member	Sally Bagshaw	9/29/22	9/28/25	1	Mayor
6	M	7	6.	Member	John Olensky	9/29/23	9/28/26	2	Mayor
6	F	6	7.	Member	Sarah C. Rich	9/29/23	9/28/26	5	Mayor
6	F	1	8.	Member	Stacey E. Hutchison	9/29/23	9/28/26	2	Mayor
6	M	4	9.	Member	Eric Berlinberg	9/29/23	9/28/26	2	Mayor
6	F	7	10.	Vice Chair	Holly Golden	9/29/23	9/28/26	5	Mayor
2	M	4	11.	Member	Matt Mead	9/29/24	9/28/27	1	Mayor
-	F	2	12.	Member	Kamala Saxton	9/29/24	9/28/27	1	Mayor
7	F	2	13.	Member	Lara Mae D. Chollette	9/29/24	9/28/27	1	Mayor
6	M	N/A	14.	Member	Will Ludlam	9/29/24	9/28/27	4	Mayor
3	F	2	15.	Member	Gloria Alvarez Connors	9/29/24	9/28/27	4	Mayor
8	F	N/A	16.	Get Engaged Member	Meral Kandymova	9/1/23	8/31/24	1	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

	Male (1)	Female (2)	Transgender (3)	NB/ O/ U (4)	Asian (5)	Black/ African American (6)	Hispanic/ Latino (7)	American Indian/ Alaska Native (8)	Other (9)	Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	7	9			2	1	1			9	1	1	
Council													
Other													
Total	7	8			2	1	1			8	1	1	

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.