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From: Don Frosini [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, December 12, 2010 1:15 PM
To: Voters First Act
Subject: Spelling correction of Gina M "Simas"

Dear Commissioners,

I feel a strong sense of responsibility to highly recommend, without reservation, Ms. Gina Simas, for a seat on California's Citizens Commission. It is imperative to me, a native Californian and a Board of Director for Del Norte Economic Development Corporation (from a rural area), that we have a "common- sense" person, who brings a keen, analytical and impartial mind to this commission, without a private agenda.

I have known Ms. Simas for eighteen years and have had the pleasure of watching and observing her achievements as a dedicated gymnast, an honor roll college graduate, to her current profession, as a very successful attorney, in Santa Monica, who is valued by her peers, in the judicial system as a highly skilled trial attorney whose analytical skills are even admired by her legal adversaries.

In learning of one of your proposed commissioners, I would like you to recognize, that from a public perception, the history and professional involvement of that female attorney definitely does not exemplify what most would describe as "impartial". There are no such perceptions with Ms. Simas, also a Hispanic applicant, so my question would be, why open yourselves up for such criticism?

Additionally, as for the Republican "pool", since diversity has been a primary consideration for the entire process, I feel as though 4 males and 1 female shortchanges the gender concern. It would be nice to, at least, have 3 males and 2 females, making it a bit more balanced, from a gender standpoint. I would like to see you offer an opportunity for female leadership. In addition, I believe the age of Ms. Simas would be representative of a good percentage of our current population, not to mention that her lifetime residency experience has been equally divided between living in Northern California and Southern California, a quality that few applicants have to offer.

Ms. Simas has the character and the experience to exceed any requirement to fulfill her position as commissioner.

Sincerely,
Don Frosini