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May 19, 2015

To: Alderpersons, City of Annapolis

From: Mayor Michael Pantelides

Re: Rules and City Government Committee

Pending your approval, I would like to reappoint Rosemary Katchmar to the Human Relations Commission. Ms. Katchmar is a resident of Ward 8 and has been serving on the Human Relations Commission since 2006.

Ms. Rosemary Katchmar PO Box 3320 Annapolis, MD 21403 410-263-8977 rkatchmar@msn.com

A copy of her resume is attached.

Thank You.

Michael Pantelide

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Reviewed by:	Rules an	d City Government Committee
Favorable Unfavorable		
Committee Chair		Date

## **Human Relations Commission**

## Rosemary Katchmar

Ms. Katchmar (MSW, LSW, CEAP) is a nationally Certified Employee Assistance Professional (EAP) with post-Master's degree work experience in addictions, behavioral risk assessment, emergency preparedness and bioterrorism, and public safety programs. She has been working for the Federal Aviation Administration since May 2010 as the National EAP Program Manager and National Critical Incident Coordinator. She is a member of the National Hispanic Coalition of Federal Aviation Employees and is a Federal Emergency Response Official.

In addition to her work in supporting public safety, Ms. Katchmar has advocated meeting the behavioral healthcare needs of the culturally diverse. Because she is the daughter of an immigrant family from Ukraine, she has always been sensitive to the needs of those whose goals are to create a better life for themselves and their families. She has led specialized projects serving the needs of Spanish-speaking clients including the development of Spanish language educational materials focusing on mental health, substance abuse, and family concerns. She has participated on employer committees with the goal of creating ease of access to behavioral health services for Spanish-speaking employees and their families.

In 2000-2001, Ms. Katchmar was Senior Faculty teaching Basic Spanish and cross-cultural understanding to social workers employed by the City of Philadelphia Juvenile Justice system. This project was part of the City of Philadelphia Workforce Development Project and the Gabriel Institute. The goal was to enable the social workers to better communicate with their Spanish-speaking clients and their families, and open doors for career advancement.

In 2009-2010, Ms. Katchmar worked at Fort Campbell, KY and Aberdeen Proving Ground Joint Personal Effects Depot supporting the U.S. Army's initiative on military suicide prevention. She was the Spanish-speaking point of contact for military spouses.

Ms. Katchmar was appointed to the City of Annapolis Human Relations Commission in 2005 and looks forward to continuing the mission of Human Relations Commission in 2015.