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Pima County Supervisors Chair Adelita Grijalva, Matt Heinz, Rex Scott, and Steve Christy:

I am writing to express my strong support of Jennifer Allen's appointment to the vacant District 3 seat on the Pima County Board of Supervisors. I've known Jennifer and her work for many years and am confident that she could quickly and smoothly transition into the role and ensure District 3 constituents are well represented.

I have known of and respected Jennifer's community-based leadership and advocacy while serving in the Arizona legislature and the U.S. Congress. Her career has been dedicated to bringing the voices of communities who are often over-looked directly to policy makers and solving complex problems facing our communities and country. At the League of Conservation Voters, she broke new ground by pushing national environmental organizations to understand and value the role of Latino communities in the fight against climate change. Her legacy at LCV continues through Chispa programs across the country that advocate for environmental justice and through her Democracy for All program that has protected voting rights and increased voter registration among communities of color in 17 states.

I am certain Jennifer would be a strong voice for all of District 3's communities and asset to the Board of Supervisors and urge her appointment.

Sincerely,

Congressman Ruben Gallego

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Marty Johnston

12 December, 2013

Pima County Board of Supervisors 130 W Congress St., 5th Floor Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Chair Grijalva, Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors, and Madam Clerk,

Kristen Randall inspires me.

Kristen Randall is one of those people, whose facebook posts have made me cry. Many times.

Bear with me.

She's someone I don't know very well, and yet I know her very deeply. I don't recall how we first were acquainted, or all the things we've talked about, but I know that my interactions with her are of *respect*, *inspiration* and *tears*.

This isn't your average "please appoint so-and-so, they're part of my rotary club, toastmasters, etc." bullshit letter. **Instead**, it's a you-gotta-appoint-someone good, politics-aside, the world-is-hurting, she's the right person letter.

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...then more about inspiration.

I'm sure you all know Kristen. She's accomplished, energetic, innovative, hard working. You know all that. I know all that. We all know those things.

The things that I think are important are:

- 1) She's a problem solver, not a "not my problem" person.
- 2) She's kind.
- 3) She's got courage.

Examples of these characteristics and how she inspires me:

¹ **Problem solving** – there used to be an old-school constables office. Bored old fat white guys (not unlike me) with security backgrounds or who had retired from the police would serve restraining orders and kick poor people out of their homes. *Kristen saw the chance to create something amazing*, and I'm sure we all sent articles about it from NPR or the New York times to our out-of-state family to brag about "this is Tucson – we're kind and innovative." I think we all know the details. She created a program to match poor folks facing eviction with resources.

There are people who are living today, thriving today, sober today, housed today, because Kristen decided that "it is my job"; with kindness, and the mind of a scientist, she didn't stop until there was a solution. *We need more of this in our Supervisors.*

^{2.} **Kristen is kind** – her work as a constable exemplifies this. And, I'm sure everyone who knows her has another story. My story is that I know that she was soliciting certain items, water bottles, clothing, diapers, to have on hand, when encountering unhoused Tucson residents and visitors whose abject poverty meant that they would often simply die in their desert encampments for lack of basic necessities. *We need more of this in our Supervisors*.

(continued) Examples of these characteristics and how she inspires me:



^{3.}Kristen is courageous – after building a program to help people facing unbearable circumstances, Kristen found herself at a crossroads. I recall discussing some safety, security and policy issues and whether or not continuing to help people would be possible considering changes that were being made. Six months later, we mourned Kristen's replacement Deborah Martinez-Garibay, who fell in the line of duty. We need more of this in our Supervisors.

In Conclusion

Kristen Should be Appointed – The District 3 Seat needs filling. Kristen is qualified. Kristen is a problem solver. Kristen is kind. Kristen is courageous. Please appoint her to the seat.

Sincerely,

Marty Johnston

P.S. – Please appoint Kristen Randall to the District 3 seat.

Melissa Whitney

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JAMES S PEDERSEN

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Thursday, December 14, 2023 6:15 AM

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I would like to see Kristen Randall's name on the Ballot for County Supervisor District 3. Her resume is tremendous and she comes from a small town like I do.

Thank you, Sandy Pedersen

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

My name is Michael Angelo and I am the former Vice President of the Pima county Young Democrats as well as an organizer in Pima county. My relationship with the Democratic party in Pima county has been up and down in recent years, which is why I have backed away from organized party politics. Throughout my time working with the party and with activists within Pima county, however, I have had the pleasure of working with Kristen Randall.

Kristen, through her time as being a constable, always put people over party. She has gone above and beyond to not only do the right thing by her constituents, but make sure that humanity prevails amidst the housing crisis and covid that we've all experienced over the last few years.

In this polarizing time party politics seems to get in the way of our collective humanity and our need to help our neighbors. Kristen has risen above that in every situation I've ever worked with her and I believe she will continue to do that in her role as supervisor for Pima county.

I wholeheartedly endorse her for this role and I hope that you do too. If you would like to speak to me any further, please feel free to reach out.

With Warm Sincerity,
Michael Angelo
Doctor of Physical Therapy
Former VP of PCYD

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Melissa Whitney

From:

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Matt Kopec Recommendation

CAUTION: This message and sender come from outside Pima County. If you did not expect this message, proceed with caution. Verify the sender's identity before performing any action, such as clicking on a link or opening an attachment.

I would like to write to offer my strong recommendation of Matt Kopec for the Supervisor District 3 vacancy. Matt has already had a full lifetime of experience serving our community in Pima County despite his relatively young age.

From his prior work in the Legislature, School Board, City of Tucson, Pima County and various local non-profits Matt is uniquely equipped to step into the job from day 1 as both an effective lawmaker as well as a provider of constituent services to the people of the 3rd district.

I have known Pat as a friend of my children, a fellow PC in LD 9 and as my representative to the state legislature.

Matt Kopec is the right choice for our community.

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