

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2018 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 10

RESOLUTION NO. 103 - 2018

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Helen Liu to the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board.

Introduced and read first time on July 2, 2018.

By order

Jessica Feldmark
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on July 16, 2018.

By order

Jessica Feldmark
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted , Adopted with amendments , Failed , Withdrawn by the County Council on July 27, 2018.

Certified by

Jessica Feldmark
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing language; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing language. Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

December 28, 2011

Dear Sir,

My name is Helen H. Liu. Recently, Susan Helsel, the Executive Director of NAMI, suggested me to write you a letter indicating my willingness to be considered for a Board Member position for MHAHC. At first, I thought this could be a daunting job. Yet, the need of our loved ones who live with mental illness is much more difficult. For this, I decided to give it a try if you find me qualified.

Until 2008, I knew very little of mental illness. Nor would I wish to spend time on it. Then, life threw at me something that was totally beyond belief. In early 2008, our then nineteen-year-old-son was hospitalized and diagnosed with serious mental illness. After almost four years of journey with our son, I have not only learned much about his illness, but also have met many good people through NAMI (Howard County) who shared with me their pain and joy; taught me how to navigate in the complicated public mental health system; and led me to advocate for our kids to receive the help they desperately need.

My background is diverse. I am a first-generation Chinese American. At age 18, I came to Baltimore as a foreign student. Once earned my BA and MS in biochemistry, I went through another year of training to become a certified Medical Technologist. This not helped me land on a good job, but also secured my legal status in America. Fast forward 20 years, I decided to work as an Accountant in the business world. Thanks to the excellent Higher Education system in Maryland, I went back to school and eventually passed my CPA Exam in 1996. For the past 15 years, I have been employed mostly as a corporate accountant. Currently, I am retired except for one small client, a non-profit organization.

I know very little about the MHA Board of Directors. What are the duties of the Board? How much time am I expected to devote to it? Does it have committees?

I hope to meet with you and discuss further of this opportunity to serve.

Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Helen H. Liu

Helen H. Liu CPA

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Accountant (09/2010- Current) (part-time)

- General ledger, Bank Reconciliations and Monthly Closings.

HR Anew, Inc.

- Controller (5/2008- 8/2010).

RIA, Inc. (Restoration Industry Association) (2006-2007)

- Accountant

River Hill, LLC (2004- 2010)

- Project Accountant (Contractor)

Nyce & Co., Inc. (1999- 2004)

- Accounting Manager

Storage USA (1996-1997)

- Development Analyst
- Property Accountant

Howard County General Hospital Laboratory (1986- 1995)

- Medical Technologist.

Good Samaritan Hospital in West Islip, NY (1974- 1983)

- Medical Technologist.

Education

- Certified Public Accountant - Maryland (Passed Exam the first time)
- College of Notre Dame of Maryland, Baltimore, MD (BA in Chemistry)
- University of Maryland at College Park, MD (MS in Biochemistry)
- University of Maryland at Baltimore County, Catonsville, MD (Accounting and Finance)

Computer Skills

MS Word MS Excel, Peachtree Accounting, QuickBooks Accounting

References

Upon request