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Dear Sir,

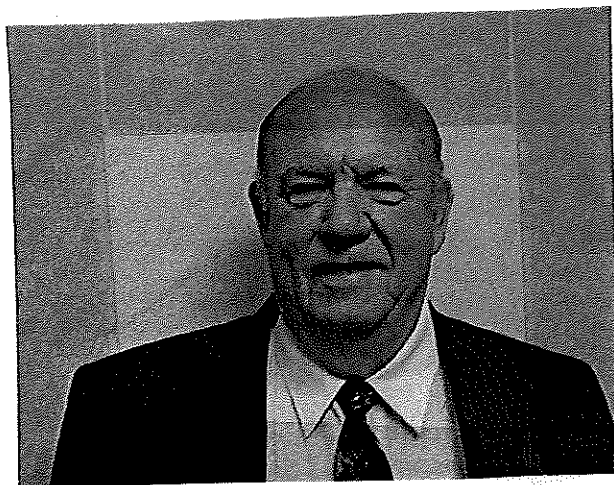
Please consider this letter as my Notice of Intent to Run for the retiree position on the Austin Police Retirement System.

My commitment to retirees is to ensure that each retiree gets the money they were promised, on time, every time for as long as they live.

Thank,



Kendall Thomas



STATEMENT OF INTEREST

I, Jesse Vasquez, a 36 year veteran and retiree of the Austin Police Department, would like to submit my name to serve on the Board of Trustees for the Austin Police Retirement System. The responsibility of providing retirement and disability benefits to both active and retired police officers and their beneficiaries is a commitment I am passionate about. During my years of service as a police officer I have kept abreast of the progress the Board of Trustees has made with regard to improving and maintaining the retirement system. I am well aware that the current economic climate poses great challenges to the sustainment of a defined benefit system. I believe that I possess the skills, knowledge and commitment required to help position the Austin Police Retirement System for the future. As an APD retiree, I not only have a vested interest in the success of the Board of Trustees, but I have spent my entire career working toward the greater good of the APD and its members. Taking a role on the board would allow me the privilege of continuing this call to service after my retirement from the department. My qualifications to handle the retired police officer member position include:

- Financial skills and acumen while serving the Austin Police Association as it's treasurer. During my tenure, the APA began representing it's membership as a union through meet and confer. It was at this time that I, as part of the team, was instrumental in negotiating for better wages and benefits for all Austin police officers.
- Management and understanding of human resource issues as demonstrated by my time serving the APD in the role of Sergeant for 16 years. I was fortunate enough to gain a broad range of experiences in many areas including Patrol, and the investigative area of the Organized Criminal Division, giving me a diverse scope of understanding of what is important to the APD family



J Vasquez
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