

**DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD  
EMPOWERMENT WITNESS STATEMENT FORM**

FOR DEPT USE ONLY
Grievance # _____
Witness Form # _____

Witness Name: Cindy Cleghorn Contact Number: [REDACTED]  
Mailing Address: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Grievances are defined as set forth in the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 22.818.

"The following information contained herein is within my own personal knowledge and relates only to facts and circumstances surrounding the Grievance submitted by Garry Fordyce on 11/17/2022 regarding North Hills West Neighborhood Council."

I was a witness to the NHWNC board meeting held Oct. 20, 2022 wherein GARRY FORDYCE was censured. I submit the following witness statement and attachments in support of GARRY FORDYCE's GRIEVANCE. It is my understanding that his GRIEVANCE will go to the REGIONAL GRIEVANCE PANEL because GARRY FORDYCE is a BOARD MEMBER OF THE NHWNC. The Censure of a board member was promoted across the website and social media platforms of the NHWNC. The intent to humiliate GARRY FORDYCE. A spreadsheet containing over 80 items going back six+ years was used in the censure. Are there spreadsheets like this for ALL board members showing their participation on the board? Nothing contained within the spreadsheet showed verification for the censure as required in the BONC Censure Policy and the Bylaws of the NHWNC board. The spreadsheet was difficult for someone not familiar with Excel to understand. To be able to read the items, you had to open a cell. No specific facts were contained within the Censure Motion. Censure policy states that no quorum of the board or committee can submit a censure motion. Punham Gohel, Carol Hart and alternate Dave Brown are movants of the Censure motion and they are a quorum of the Ad-Hoc Retreat committee for the NHWNC. Further Punam Gohel and Dave Brown are a quorum of the Rules & Elections committee and were movants to the Censure. During the Censure Motion, president Madlena encouraged a yes vote by the board voting. Madlena was not neutral or fair. She cut people off from speaking and focused on promoting to pass the Censure motion. Garry should not be subject to badgering humiliation. RGP should reverse the Censure vote & instruct the board to reverse the Censure vote and they need to apologize to Garry Fordyce.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: 11-17-22

Name: Cindy Cleghorn

Signature: [REDACTED]

**Department Review**

Date witness form received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date witness form reviewed: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness form reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Grievance number: \_\_\_\_\_

*North Hills West  
Neighborhood Council Meeting*

October 20, 6pm



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# General Board Monthly Meeting

October 20 @ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

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Join us for our North Hills West Neighborhood Council Meeting on Thursday, October 20, 6pm.

On our agenda is the Censure of Board Member

To view supporting documents, listed in agenda order, please see:

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# Ad Hoc Committees

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Ad Hoc Board Retreat Committee:

Punam Gohel – Chair, Carol Hart, Angel Collins, Dave Brown – Alternate Member

This Committee specializes in the rules the Council operates under and must abide by. If the bylaws contain something that needs to be modified or item added, this Committee evaluates the item(s) with input from Stakeholders, and forwards a recommendation to the full Board for additional discussion and approval. Once approved, changes are submitted to D.O.N.E. for final review and approval, subsequently becoming incorporated into the bylaws, the rules we operate under.

This Committee also has the primary initial responsibility of our Neighborhood Council elections, which happen every two years. The Elections and the Outreach volunteers join forces to support and promote the elections.

## **Members:**

Punam Gohel-Chair, Dave Brown, Pat Crone