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Mayor Jenny Wilson
Salt Lake County Mayor
2001 South State Street, Suite N2-100
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Dear Mayor Wilson,

The second term of Housing Connect's Board of Commissioners Chair Jennifer Johnston expired as of February 14, and we need to find a replacement for her on our Board.

We have identified two potential candidates (listed below) and would be grateful that consideration be given to these two candidates (or to others which you may like to suggest) for appointment to the open position on our Board. Ms. Johnston had strong financial skills, and we seek a replacement with similar strengths. As both candidates are equally qualified and would serve Housing Connect well as a commissioner, we offer them to you with no preference one above the other.

The two candidates are:

- Benjamin Becker (Vice President, Public Finance, Zions Bank) – “Benj” has experience with finance and re-development which would pair well with Housing Connect.
- Wendy Leonelli (Senior Vice-President – Commercial Real Estate Loan Officer, Zions Bank) – Wendy has experience with affordable housing finance which would also benefit the agency.

Terms for commissioners are for four (4) years, and commissioners can serve for up to two terms.

We look forward to a decision soon.

Sincerely,

Janice Kimball
Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: resumes for the two candidates

