Committee: LDRRAC

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Work experience: Counsellor and teacher-counsellor; human rights officer (Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission); Pensions supervisor, training officer, City of Winnipeg; Planning, programs officer, Manitoba Government; French teacher Education: B.A. (hons.), Political Science, Victoria U. of Wellington, M.A., Political Science, University of Windsor; B.Ed., Political Science, University of Toronto; Post-Baccalaureate, counselling psychology, University of Manitoba; valid teaching certificates, SK and MB Skills: I have served on LDDRAC for two years. Many years of volunteer activity in human rights; background in public administration and policy development; 14 years as volunteer counsellor, working with high-risk diverse population of young people

Interest reason: I believe the City has made great strides in serving London's diverse population; I believe I can help with this process, giving advice when asked. Contributions: I have been a dedicated committee member for the past 2 years, and have worked hard on the committee in reviewing policies and learning about civic programs. I believe I bring diverse experiences and, hopefully, some wisdom to the committee. Past contributions: vice-president, Saskatchewan Association on Human Rights; human rights officer, working on issues of gender and racial inequality in education; developed and implemented programs for disadvantaged Manitobans.

Interpersonal: My counselling training has taught me the value of listening, rather than talking. I believe in collaboration over confrontation, and that there is no such thing as a silly question. I understand that other members of the Committee bring great wisdom and experience to the table. As an educator, I respected the opinions and values of all of my students.

Interview interest: Yes

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