

Vanessa Boukili

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Hello Dr. Boukili and Somerville leaders,

My name is Calla Taylor and I would like to apply for the youth member position on the City of Somerville Urban Forestry Committee.

I am currently a sophomore at Somerville High School and I heard about this position from Ms. Quigley in her AP Environmental Science class. As someone who is both passionate about the government and the environment, this role really excites me. This year, AP Environmental Science has been one of my favorite classes, and I would love to be able to apply what I am learning to help the city and its residents.

I feel that I am a good candidate for this position because I am driven and responsible, and a confident communicator. Having a background in performance means that I am comfortable with public speaking, should that be necessary in this role. I also communicate well with both my peers and adults, which allows me to represent youth perspectives.

Like many people my age, I feel frustrated and worried about the state of the climate crisis, and often feel powerless. By taking on this position, I feel that I could make a positive difference, even at a local level, in the fight against climate change.

Should I be chosen as a committee member, I promise to bring passion and commitment to the Urban Forestry Committee. Since I am fifteen years old, I can make the commitment that I will be able to serve for the next three years as a youth member.

This opportunity really excites me and I look forward to hearing from you soon! I am willing to provide a number of references who could speak to capability for this position, if you're interested.

Thank you,

Calla Taylor
Sophomore, Somerville High School

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