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Jean,
Please accept the attached resignation email from Student Community Relations Advisory Board member Amelia Packard.
Thank you,

Connie Farrell

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From: stephen packard [mailto:stevepackard@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2008 7:53 PM
To: Farrell, Alice C. (Connie) Codes Enforcement
Subject: Board Membership Resignation

Due to health concerns, I must submit my resignation to the Student Community Relations Advisory Board. I look forward to the progress the Board will make in the future. Since we've had trouble assembling a quorum and not knowing how long I will be unable to fulfill my duties, I feel it is important to make my resignation immediate so that the City can fill my position as soon as possible.

I'd like to thank my fellow Board members and the City Codes Enforcement Department. Connie and fellow Codes personnel have been very supportive and encouraging as we've struggled to find our direction as a new board. At every meeting, we've been very fortunate to have the services of Sergeant Litchfield or another police representative. Other City departments that we've requested have been informative and brought valuable understanding to us.

Lastly, I'd like to make some remarks to be added to the minutes as a review of the Ordinance Violation Mediation and Forgiveness Program for Over-Occupancy in the neighborhoods. I viewed this as a voluntary program as it was presented to us by Dr. Grupler. As such if a party refuses to participate, the points and fines would still be used and enforced. The City Codes Enforcement Department functions in a mediating capacity already. It has been my experience that they try very hard to inform, instruct, and follow through with appropriate activities in the neighborhoods. I am very appreciative of their staff members. It's a huge job.

I would also like to comment that in my opinion, the ordinance change that results in points carrying over multiple years is a positive and effective practice and I support it.

Thank you,

Amelia Packard
