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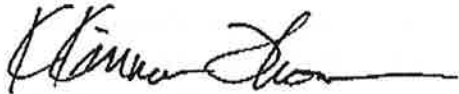
Dear City Commissioners:

Please accept this as my request to serve on the East Gainesville Sprout Project Task Force. As one of the two partners in The Baird Center Association, Inc., it would be a pleasure to serve on this particular task force. As you know, The Baird Center is located just across Depot Avenue from the proposed project.

As a small business owner and a relative newcomer to Gainesville, one of my short-term goals is to become more involved in community activities such as this one. As a former radio station owner, I was heavily involved in both community and political affairs; and I intend to be more involved locally again.

Your favorable consideration for this appointment would be appreciated.

Sincerely,



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December 1997 to Present:

President of The Thomas Sound Group, Inc. which owns Mirror Image Sound Studios, 619 S. Main Street in Gainesville. Mirror Image is a professional recording studio and cassette and CD duplication facility.

President of KKT Rentals, Inc. which is one of two partners that own The Baird Center at 619 South Main Street. KKT Rentals is landlord to the studio, ProFrets Vintage Guitar Shop, and The Acrostown Repertory Theatre.

Board member Legislative Affairs Committee of the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce. Member of GDOT. Recently appointed to serve on the Gainesville/Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board.

October 1987 to November 1997:

Regional Sales Manager for the Jacor Communications, Inc. (now Clear Channel Radio) Radio stations in Jacksonville, FL.

September 1986 to September 1987:

Owner and General Manager of KTYX-FM, Ardmore, OK.

April 1985 to August 1986:

National Programming Consultant for Century 21 Programming, Dallas, TX.

May 1977 to June 1984:

Owner and General Manager of KTQQ-FM, Lake Charles, LA.

Also served as President of the West Calcasieu Association of Commerce, President of the Rotary Club of Sulphur, LA, as well as being involved in numerous other civic activities and politics.