# **Board Appointment – Sister Cities Board – Nia Sherar**

## **INTRODUCTION:**

Mayor Anderson is recommending that Nia Sherar, be appointed to the Salt Lake City Sister Cities Board. If appointed, Ms. Sherar will replace Anna Karina Hooper, who has resigned and her term would extend through July 3, 2006.

## **APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

Nia Sherar is the Founder/Executive Director of Opportunity Fund for Developing Countries. Ms. Sherar would like to keep up on her Spanish and loves the Bolivian people; she is a doer, enthusiastic and imaginative. She is a member of the Utah Bolivia Partners and has been to Oruro, Bolivia twice. Ms. Sherar presented Mayor Anderson with a gift from the Mayor of Oruro in the Spring of 2003. With a wide and varied background ranging from analytical Senior Computer Systems Engineer to Foreign Language English Teacher to passionate humanitarian Leader she is capable of working in a fast-paced, technical environment or in the high altitude Himalayan villages with no electricity.

#### **RESPONSE DEADLINE:**

If you have any objection to this appointment, please let Vicki know by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 3, 2006.

## **CURRENT COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD:**

Sister Cities Board Members must be a Salt Lake County resident and the terms last 3 years. There may be a maximum of 15 Board Members. Board members include: Rozina Bahlibi; Geoffrey Brugger; Patrick F. Carley; Hubert Chang; Snapp Erickson; Manuel Evangelista; Etsuko Oqura Freeman; Rosemary A. Holt; Bruce Kaliser; and Margaret Yee.

# **BOARD STRUCTURE:**

The Sister Cities Board is created and governed in accordance with Utah law. The mission of the Sister Cities Board is to promote peace and unite local and global communities through friendship, economic opportunities and cultural and educational exchange, particularly through Salt Lake City and selected cities in other countries.