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The MOCHA Center, Inc.

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Dear Community Member,

I currently serve as the interim Vice President and the Board Development Co-chair for the MOCHA Center. In my role as the Board Development Co-chair, I am leading MOCHA's efforts to seek nominations of individuals to join our Board. In building a diverse Board, we are particularly eager to identify prospective candidates from specific constituencies and with specific areas of expertise that include, but are not limited to: *legal counsel, women, youth, Latinos/Latinas, transgender individuals, and people living with HIV/AIDS.*

The MOCHA Center was founded in 1996 as the Men of Color Health Awareness Project, which specifically addressed HIV/AIDS health concerns that were affecting gay and bisexual men. We have now grown into a center committed to improving health and wellness in communities of color through intervention and service with an emphasis on LGBTQ programming. We have also expanded our programming to include young people and women.

At the MOCHA Center, we pride ourselves on our ability to effectively respond to the emerging needs of our communities through dynamic programming. All of our services are conducted in a culturally sensitive manner that is both confidential and non-judgmental. Additionally, services are provided in a manner that emphasizes wellness, individual responsibility, and increased awareness, while promoting self-efficacy through the ongoing support of our professional staff and volunteers.

If you are interested in applying for board membership, please send your résumé and letter of interest to board_recruit@mochacenter.org. Your letter of interest should include: 1) commentary related to why you are interested in working with the MOCHA Center; and 2) a description of the skills, background, or constituency (to which you belong) that speaks to how you can contribute to the MOCHA Center's Board. Please also feel free to share this letter with others who may be interested in applying for board membership, and see our website for additional information: <http://mochacenter.org>.

Thank you in advance for your support of the MOCHA Center.

"The mission of the MOCHA Center Inc. is to improve health and wellness in communities of color through intervention and service with an emphasis on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) programming."