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Mayor's Committee on Disabilities
Mayor Alan Webber
Mayor's Office Santa Fe, New Mexico
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of the Selection Committee,

I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Mayor's Committee on Disability. As a 21-year-old individual who lives with the disability of being hard of hearing and relies on hearing aids, I bring both lived experience and a strong desire to advocate for accessibility, inclusion, and equal opportunity for all members of our community.

Growing up with hearing loss has given me firsthand insight into the barriers that individuals with disabilities face in education, employment, public spaces, and daily life. I have learned to navigate challenges with resilience, adaptability, and determination, and I want to use my experiences to help improve systems and resources for others. Serving on this committee would allow me to represent the perspective of young adults with disabilities while collaborating with leaders to make meaningful change.

I am particularly passionate about ensuring that accessibility goes beyond compliance and truly reflects inclusion—whether that means improving communication access, supporting youth with disabilities as they transition into independence, or raising awareness in our community. I believe my perspective, combined with my energy and commitment, will be an asset to the committee's mission.

Thank you for considering my application. I would be honored to contribute to the Mayor's Committee on Disability and help ensure that our city continues to grow as a place where people of all abilities can thrive.

Sincerely,
Amarisa Montoya