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**CITY OF  
POMONA**

**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**FROM:** ANITA TORRES, LIBRARY SERVICES MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** POET LAUREATE – RECOMMENDATION TO EXTEND TERM

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 10, 2021

**CC:** Mark J. Gluba, Deputy City Manager

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At the Library Trustees meeting dated January 20, 2021 the Board requested that a discussion regarding extension of term for Poet Laureate David Oliver, be placed on the next agenda.

Since that meeting, the Cultural Arts Commission has also met and discussed the topic, and expressed unanimous support to extend the Poet Laureate term due to the impact of the global COVID-19 pandemic. Please see a copy of their correspondence below.

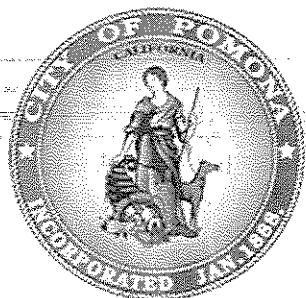
City staff supports this decision, and the topic will be included under New Business as requested by the Library Board, on the meeting agenda dated February 17, 2021.

To the Board of Library Trustees,

On behalf of the Cultural Arts Commission (Commission), please accept this correspondence regarding the extension of the term of service for the City of Pomona's first Poet Laureate. At their last meeting of January 25, 2021, the Commission expressed unanimous support to extend the term of service for the City of Pomona's first Poet Laureate due to the impact of the global COVID-19 pandemic. The Commission strongly encourages the Board of Library Trustees to support the extension of this important position that has the ability to foster cultural literacy in Pomona.

Thank you,

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