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Name: Deidre K. Sosa

Age: 53

Years lived in Townsend: Since July 2007.

Family: Divorced and a mother of three children, Anthony, 31; Andre, 29, and Kayla, 18.

Education: I graduated in 1983 from William Penn High School in New Castle. I attended Delaware Technical Community College in Newark from 2009-2013 in the criminal justice technology. I am a veteran of the United States Army Reserve in Dover. I did my basic training at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and I did my advanced individual training at Fort Lee, Virginia as a material control and accounting specialist, from September 1985 through December 1987.

Occupation: I work for the United States Postal Service in New Castle, since April 1987, as a mail processing clerk.

Leadership experience: I am a member of the American Postal Workers Union (APWU) Local 152, Malcolm T. Smith, Wilmington.

What are the three most important issues in Townsend and how would you propose handling them?

- 1. The upcoming land use in Townsend Village II off Karins Boulevard and Route 71 entrance. The parcel that is not sold should be voted on by the residents of Townsend Village II and then come to a compromise with the new land owners.
- 2. The train noise levels and the speed when they come around 2-4 a.m. I would propose having a noise ordinance for a quiet zone for all trains coming through late at night.
- 3. Some residents have suggested that we open up a coffee shop or flower shop in the store space near Smith's Liquors off Route 71. I would propose a small business owner or a franchise owner consider opening up a shop in that space if they can get a bank loan with a very low interest rate.

What qualities, characteristics and/or experience do you have that will help the town?

My qualities and characteristics are as follows:

I was a material control and accounting specialist in the United States Army Reserve and I use this experience in my everyday life to manage my own household and balance my own budget every month without any flaws.

I am a hardworking person and a team player, and if elected I will do my best to get the job done.

I will bring integrity, honesty and patience to the table to make Townsend a great place to call home.