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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FORM

Name of Applicant Malini Ondrovcik

My commitment to addressing the diverse needs of my community goes beyond my professional life and has taken shape through various volunteer initiatives not only within the local community, but also at a provincial and national level. At the provincial level, I worked directly with my professional regulator, the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario, in driving forward their commitment to fostering an inclusive environment, promoting fairness in regulation, and advancing the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion, including accountability to the public. At the national level, I serve as Ontario Co-Chair of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind's Strategic Leadership Council which is focused on fostering an understanding of blindness and dispelling misconceptions about people who are blind; removing barriers to create safe, accessible journeys for all; and giving parents and children the support they need to excel both within and outside of the classroom. These initiatives have held great importance to me, not only because of the work we have accomplished as a team, but because of the struggles I have had to overcome within these realms in the absence of support and advocacy—it remains my goal to find opportunities where I can break down barriers for others and help them thrive.

As detailed in my resume and evidenced by the above, it is clear that my personal and professional experience and goals align directly with the strategic plan, mission, and vision of the GECDSB, and as such, it would be an honour to serve the community in a role where I could put my expertise to work for the students and families of my home, Windsor-Essex.