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Grover Beach City Council Appoints Bright to Fill Term on Council

On Monday night, the Grover Beach City Council appointed Karen Bright to the City Council. Ms. Bright, a 20-year resident of Grover Beach, replaces former Council Member Larry Versaw. Versaw resigned his position on the Council last month as a result of his move from the City. Council Member Bright will complete Versaw's unexpired term, ending in December of 2008.

Ms. Bright was one of four candidates vying for the appointment. Other candidates included: Ronald Arnoldsen, Liz Doukas, and Debra Peterson. Council Member Bright was nominated by both Mayor Lieberman and Mayor Pro Tem Shoals. In responding to a question about her interest in serving on the Council, Ms Bright noted, "I always wanted to make a difference in my community and I had an interest in serving on the Council."

Ms. Bright has a long history of involvement in the community. She has served at two separate times on the Planning Commission for a total of approximately 8 years. She was last appointed to the Commission in May of 2005 and would have served until May of 2008. With Ms. Bright's appointment to the Council, a vacancy on the Planning Commission has been immediately created. In addition to serving on the Commission, she has served on the General Plan Advisory Committee, was a former member of the Grover Beach Beautiful Committee, and served in a number of capacities with the Beach Cities Little League. Council Member Bright is employed in contract administration for the San Luis Coastal Unified School District. Ms Bright has an adult son, who currently lives in Ventura, and a daughter who attends Arroyo Grande High School.

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