RESOLUTION NO. 2872

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Salisbury, Maryland that the following individual is appointed to the Historic District Commission, for the term ending as indicated.

Name Jane Messenger

Term Ending October 2021

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced and duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on October 22, 2018.

ATTEST:

Kimberly R. Nicho's

CITY CLERK

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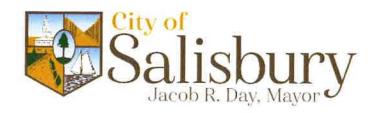
PRESIDENT, City Council

APPROVED BY ME THIS

23/ day of 607, 2018

Jacob R. Day

MAYOR, City of Salisbury



MEMORANDUM

To:

Julia Glanz, City Administrator

From:

Alyssa Massey, Administrative Office Assistant

Subject:

Appointment to the Historic District Commission

Date:

October 22, 2018

Mayor Day would like to appoint the following person to the Historic District Commission for the term ending as indicated.

Name

Term Ending

Jane Messenger

October 2021

Attached you will find information from Jane Messenger and the Resolution necessary for their Appointment. Please forward this information to the City Council so it may be placed on their agenda at the next Council meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Attachment

cc: Mayor Day

Dear Jake,

It was great to meet you last Saturday at the Dressels' going away party. As I mentioned, I am interested in serving on the Historic District Commission.

A little bit about myself: I grew up in Salisbury and graduated from Parkside High School in 1982. I then went away to college and graduate school and finally started a 25-year career in the U.S. Foreign Service. The Foreign Service is a nomadic life so as soon as I could afford it, I purchased a house in Wicomico County so we could always have a place to call "home." Every house I have ever owned has been historic and I have renovated all of them so I have first-hand knowledge of the balancing act between maintaining the historical integrity of a structure and making it efficient and comfortable for modern use. My specific experience with old houses is the following:

- From 1994 2016 I owned and renovated a Victorian house in Nanticoke;
- From 1997 2011 I owned a 1776 house in Old Town Alexandria;
- From 2011 2016 I owned 406 Park Avenue is Salisbury's Newtown which was built in 1929 and was reportedly the first house in Salisbury built from blueprints;
- From 2014 2016 I owned and renovated "Beverly," an 18th century estate in Somerset county;
- I finally settled into my current residence at 900 Camden in 2016 where I have lived full-time since retiring from the Foreign Service in December 2017.

As you requested, I have attached my resume, though I can't say I have any "professional" experience with historic preservation. Nonetheless, I recognize that Salisbury has many wonderful gems in its historic districts. I would welcome the opportunity to work on behalf of the city to help ensure that this legacy is preserved.

Congratulations on your success as mayor. I hope I can contribute to your ongoing efforts to make Salisbury the best it can be.

Regards, Jane Messenger

Jane S.W. Messenger

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Professional Experience

1992 - 2017: Foreign Service Officer, U.S. Department of State

8/2014-10/2017 – U.S. Embassy Kabul – Director – Strategic Communications/Office of Public Affairs: Managed approximately \$50 million in multi-year grants aimed at countering violent extremism (CVE), increasing election transparency, and developing Afghanistan's media and communications sector. Supervised two Foreign Service Officers and four Locally Employed Staff (LES). Received Meritorious Honor Award in 2015.

7/2013-14 – U.S. Embassy Luxembourg – Deputy Chief of Mission: Oversaw the daily operations of U.S. Embassy Luxembourg, which has a staff of 26 Americans and 22 LES. Managed the Embassy budget of \$11.2 million. Oversaw the visit of 5 Supreme Court Justices for consultations with the European Court of Justice in February 2014.

4/2012-13: Office of the Vice President – Special Advisor for South and Central Asia: Advised the Vice President on U.S. national security policy related to South and Central Asia, particularly Afghanistan, Pakistan and India. Worked closely with the interagency community, especially DOD, NSS, State, and intelligence agencies.

8/2011-12: Office of Western European Affairs – Deputy Director: Supervised 6 officers on the Italy, Spain, Portugal, France and Malta desks. Coordinated the assignment process for these posts. Engaged European allies on such issues as the global economy, Afghanistan and Pakistan, Iraq, Iran, the Balkans, Africa and Libya.

8/2009-11: U.S. Embassy Kabul – State Deputy Director – Interagency Provincial Affairs (IPA): Served for two years as the Regional Coordinator for eastern Afghanistan, coordinating the activities of 14 Provincial Reconstruction Teams, 23 District Support Teams and 6 brigade task forces. Provided oversight to nearly 200 civilians working outside of Kabul. Supervised a 13-member IPA Management Section. Helped to implement the civilian uplift for all field positions in Afghanistan. Received Meritorious Honor Award and Superior Honor Award.

08/2006-09: U.S. Embassy Helsinki – Economic Section Chief: Led Embassy Helsinki's economic section. Covered trade, investment, terrorism finance and agricultural issues and supervised all other aspects of Helsinki's economic reporting, including environmental, science, technology and health issues.

<u>08/2003-05</u>: Hungary Desk Officer: As the only desk officer, coordinated all aspects of U.S. foreign policy toward Hungary. Supported numerous official visits by U.S. and Hungarian cabinet officials. Received two Meritorious Honor Awards in two years.

2001-2003: The Salisbury School (TSS), Salisbury, MD: Director of Development: Took a sabbatical from the State Department. Doubled TSS's annual giving, coordinated a capital campaign to finance a Middle School building, and conducted numerous fundraisers, including golf tournaments, galas, and silent auctions.

08/2000-01: Economist- Intellectual Property Rights Office: Handled the Mid-East, South Asia and Russia portfolio in the Intellectual Property Rights Office. Was the State Department lead on facilitating delivery of generic copies of patent-protected HIV/AIDS drugs to Africa. Awarded Meritorious Honor Award for reinvigorating interagency working group.

<u>08/1998-99:</u> Croatia Desk Officer: As the only desk officer, coordinated all aspects of U.S. foreign policy toward Croatia at a time when Croatia was a newly-independent country. Supported office effort during Kosovo war. Awarded Group Superior Honor Award.

<u>08/1997-98: Watch Officer:</u> Participated on select team of Foreign Service Officers who supported the Secretary of State in the Operations Center. Awarded Group Superior Honor Award.

<u>08/1995-97</u>: U.S. Embassy Brussels: Served one year as a political officer covering the justice and home affairs portfolio and one year as the housing officer managing a staff of 50 FSNs and 4 Americans and a housing pool of 350 units, including six official residences.

08/1992-94: U.S. Consulate Karachi – Vice Consul: Adjudicated immigrant and non-immigrant visa applications. Served as chief of the American Citizens Service unit. Received Meritorious Honor Award for work with American prisoners.

<u>1990-1992: Government Accounting Office - Evaluator</u>: Worked on separate congressionally-mandated reports on the impact of U.S. product liability laws on U.S. competitiveness, the rules governing official travel on government planes, and the efficiency of a certain fuel used in the space program.

1986-1988: Barnard College, Assistant Director of Admissions: Traveled throughout the U.S. to recruit students, conducted interviews, adjudicated applications and arranged special events for prospective students. Was offered a promotion to Associate Director of Admissions but chose to attend graduate school.

Education

College/University	<u>Degree</u>	Year	<u>Major</u>
Columbia University	MIA	1990	International Affairs
Smith College	BA	1986	Economics