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November 13, 2007

Washington County Board of Commissioners
155 North First Avenue, Suite 300, MS 22
Hillsboro, Oregon 97124-3072

RE: Oregon Senate Vacancy (Dist. 14) Selection Process

Dear Chairman Tom Brian:

As requested I am presenting the attached documents.

I look forward to meeting you and the Board of County Commissioners.

Cordially,



Shantu Shah
6637 SW 88th Place
Portland, Oregon 97223
PH: 503-245-1722

**Finding new directions for a better Education-Economy-Exports-Environment
(Shantu Shah - Nominee for Oregon Senate, Dist. 14)**

Higher Education: “Despite growth, higher education in India (also **Oregon**) is still faced with challenges and difficulties related to creating an inclusive design, funding, enhancement of quality teaching, research and development, leveraging technology for learning, employability of graduates, and equitable access to the benefits of international cooperation.” **Summit on global Indian education - Times of India** November 5, 2007

Creating Oregon partnership with India in international education is very essential. 'Innovation for quality (education) and relevance,' **Lord Chris Patten**, chancellor, Oxford University and Newcastle University, UK, spoke about India's growth post-Independence and its relation with Britain. Patten, an old friend and admirer of India, termed the country as one of the shining stars in the story of globalization, "World class universities should seek to attract world class students and conduct world class research, for which institutional and industrial collaboration is required, so the two countries must join hands." **Identical benefits accrue in creating a world-class university in Oregon.**

“I will fly them to India for gold, Ransack the ocean for orient pearl.” **Chris Marlowe**

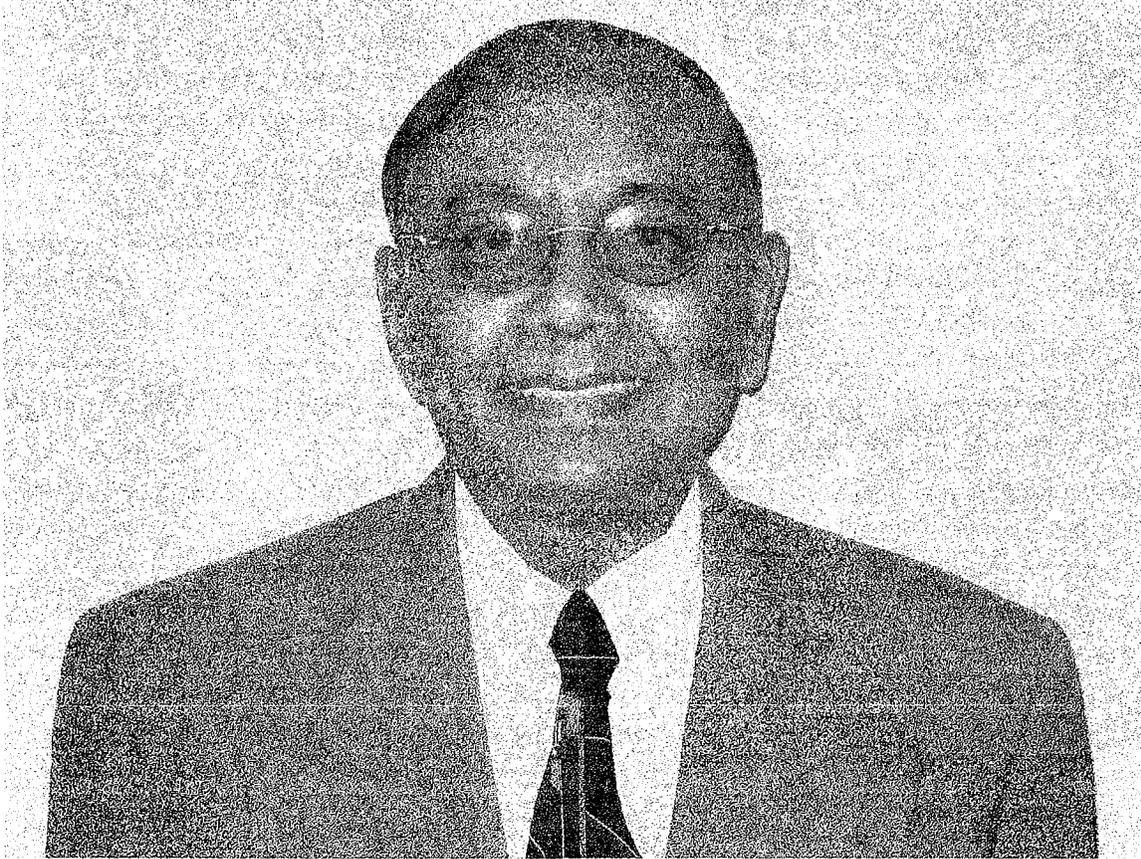
Economy and Exports: “*It’s the economy stupid.*” **James Carville**, President Bill Clinton’s campaign strategist in 1992. Oregon Tax Reform for small businesses would outperform multi-nationals’ output. A study published by the **Bruegel think-tank** suggests “governments would do better to concentrate their trade promotion efforts on helping smaller exporting companies to become more competitive, create jobs, and eradicate poverty, hunger, and homelessness in Oregon.

“Trade missions do not generate trade,” it concludes. Gianmarco Ottaviano, economics professor at the University of Bologna and co-author of the report, says this contention is supported by examining the comparative export performance of France and Germany. Whereas France boasts a relatively small number of successful and highly globalised exporters, Germany has a mass of “Mittelstand” medium-sized companies that are star export performers. **Small companies best at boosting Exports- FT.com** Nov. 10, 2007

Environment: “Sen. Alan Bates (D- Ashland) was among 10 people tested for a “**Pollution in People**” report released by the Oregon Environmental Council. It's the latest in a string of reports from environmental groups designed to educate Americans about the low levels of suspect chemicals in our consumer-society selves.” **Toxics Surprise: What we have inside us - The Oregonian** November 11, 2007 *“Everyday, humankind dumps 70 million tons of pollution in the earth’s atmosphere.”* **Al Gore**

I do not possess those pollutants I wish not to see in the food we feast, drinks we digest, and the air we ingest in Oregon fields, forests, farms, mountains, glaciers, streams, rivers, lakes, ocean, and the air. The change would have a reduction on our **healthcare** costs for the poor, unemployed, uninsured, or underinsured and on the Oregon tax structure. **I wish to “Be the change you wish to see in (Oregon) the world” Mohandas K. Gandhi**

**Shantu Shah
Resume'**



Occupation and Public Service: Retired Professional Electrical Engineer
Manager, EDC Development, LLC
Board of Directors: KBOO (90.7 FM) Foundation 2003-2005
KBOO Radio Co Host Environments East/West Sunday evening show. 2005-2006
Board of Directors: Kalakendra, Society for the Performing Arts of India 1987-2007
Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary International, Beaverton Club member since 1986
Service Above Self, Portland Metropolitan Rotary Club 2006
Beaverton Arts Commission Member 1994-1997
Member, Beaverton Trade Mission to Sister City Gotemba, Japan (1990)
Member, US Dept. of Commerce Trade Mission to Hong Kong and Singapore (Past)

Occupational Background:

Forty-year experience in management, operation, maintenance, design, specifications, and construction of electrical power and controls, distribution, transmission, and generation facilities for airport, utility, government, industrial, commercial, and residential facilities in Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, North Carolina, and Gujarat, India.

Educational Background:

Graduate, Leadership Beaverton Charter Class 1997-1998

Rotary District 5100 Leadership Training 2006-2007

Registered Professional Engineer, Oregon 1978- 2007

Post-Baccalaureate Electrical Engineer Degree, North Carolina State University

Prior Government experience:

Gujarat Electricity Board, India: In-charge of Power Distribution, Transmission and Generation facilities

U.S. General Services Administration: Design-Built Regional Emergency Management
and Communications Centers, Denver, Co. and Philadelphia, Pa.

Port of Portland airport facilities: Consulting Engineer (Past)

Conducted two (2) petition drives to put Washington County PUD and Campaign
Finance Limits on Oregon ballots

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November 13, 2007

To: Washington and Multnomah County Boards of Commissioners

I am a professional Mechanical Engineer, a patent holder, and a small business owner. My wife and I have lived in Beaverton since 1978. We have made Oregon our home and have raised 3 children who have attended higher education in Oregon colleges. One of them was a Beaverton Rotary club scholar.

I have known Shantu Shah since 1980 as a professional engineer, as a businessman, and an active volunteer in not-for-profit organizations e.g. the Society for the Performing Arts of India, India Cultural Association, and Rotary International. He is active in community service and has in-depth knowledge of local issues like traffic problem, education, environmental, land use, and tax issues as well as national and international issues such as trade and tourism.

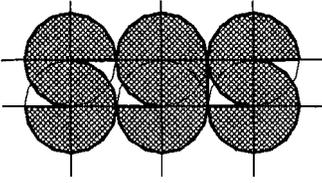
Shantu as a prolific writer has commanding power on English, expressing his point of view on wide-variety of subjects. He thoroughly understands the economic and cultural issues, constitutional, and human rights and fearlessly expresses his unique opinions published by The Oregonian, Portland Tribune, Washington County Weekly, Financial Times, India West, and USA Today.

Shantu, a man of integrity and dedication, follows Mahatma Gandhi's and Mother Teresa's ideals. He cares and helps everyone. Shantu has participated in Sister City, trade mission, and Rotary friendship and international student exchanges.

I recommend Shantu Shah as our State Senator who would make a difference for the economic future and the prosperity of Oregon.

Sincerely,

Bart V. Makadia, P.E.
V.P. Engineering & Research



12 November 2007

To the Washington County Commissioners

I am writing to support the selection of Shantu Shah for the vacant seat in the State legislature.

Shantu and I began our respective professional practices at about the same time and had the good fortune to work together on several projects over many years. While I have always found him to be a very well organized, creative and dedicated worker, more importantly, he is a very sensitive and compassionate person, who understands that solving problems is meaningless if the needs of real people are not the driving force.

If selected to fill Ryan Deckert's seat, I am certain that people and not politics will be his main concern. Considering how little has been accomplished with politics in recent years, I believe this can only be a much needed improvement.

Sincerely,

Stewart Gordon Straus

November 9, 2007

To: Washington Co. Commissioners
Multnomah Co. Commissioners

From: David M. Jay,
District Governor, District 5100,
Rotary International.

Subject: Candidacy of Shantu Shah,
Deckert Oregon Senate Seat.

I am recommending Rotarian Shantu Shah for appointment to the vacant Senate seat in the Oregon Senate. I know Shantu personally and am aware of his commitment to the ideals of Rotary which emphasizes honesty and integrity.

He is an active member of the Beaverton Rotary club and has recently participated in a book project for school children in Uganda.

I am confident Shantu Shah will well serve the citizens of Oregon.

Sincerely Yours.

David M. Jay
Phone: (360) 263-3786
Cell: (360) 606-9962

November 13, 2007

To:

Washington and Multnomah County Boards of Commissioners

I have known Mr. Shantu Shah for over a decade and a half.

He has always struck me as a person with a social conscience, interested in public causes, a sadly uncommon trait as such. But Shantu belongs to an even rarer breed: he has the courage of his convictions to step into the public arena and advance his thoughts and views with a view to making things better.

He is well-informed on a number of topics, and has displayed a relentless energy in corresponding with various organizations and writing to the news media to express his ideas.

He is very different from the public servant we generally see -- the kind who shies away from any frankness mouthing sweet inanities on every topic. On a personal note, he and I have disagreed on as many issues as we have agreed. That this has never affected our personal relations is a tribute to Shantu's pleasant and open nature.

I encourage Shantu Shah's candidacy for the Oregon Senate and wish him the best in his endeavor.

Sincerely,

Niranjan Ramakrishnan
9760 SW Omara Street
Tigard, Oregon 97223
503-646-6578

November 4, 2007

Subject: Recommendation for Shantu Shah

To: Multnomah and Washington County Chairmen and Commissioners:

My name is Robert Z. Aguirre, a longtime resident of Washington County and a registered Republican, a retired engineering executive.

I have known Mr. Shantu Shah for many years through Rotary International as we are both active members, and we have participated in several local community projects as well as International humanitarian projects.

I highly recommend Shantu Shah as our State Senator to fill the vacancy left by Senator Ryan Deckert. My long association with Mr. Shah in social, professional and voluntary activities has given me some insights in his dedication, and loyalty to serve his community and adopted country. I have known him to be particularly interested in the plight of the underprivileged citizens and immigrants, and also in social and economic issues in both international and domestic areas.

I am most confident that Mr. Shah will be a great participant and will contribute in the Oregon political arena with fair and balance to benefit the citizens of our great state.

Yours truly



Robert Z. Aguirre

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Portland, OR 97229-4055
bobaguirre@comcast.net



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November 2, 2007

To:

Multnomah and Washington County Chairmen and Commissioners:

My name is Chetan Shah. I am not related to Shantu Shah. My wife, Sonal Shah, and I run a software business since 1988. Sonal was recognized by SBA as Oregon's 2002 Small Business of the Year.

We have known Mr. Shantu Shah for number of years as a leader who actively participates in community affairs involving education, poverty, hunger, health care and tax issues. He has a clear understanding of U.S. and Oregon laws and both constitutions. I have had the opportunity to review his legal writing both at the appellate and Supreme Court levels, and am impressed with his experience in this area especially since he is not an attorney by profession.

I highly recommend Shantu Shah as our State Senator to fill the vacancy left by Senator Ryan Deckert. I am most certain that he would be a great asset for Oregon to tap into the growing potential of the U.S. and India bilateral trades. Shantu would be a great asset for the business community in Oregon as he has worked on projects for companies ranging in size from Intel to smaller organizations that make up the bulk of Oregon's economy.

Sincerely,

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Chetan Shah
Vice-President

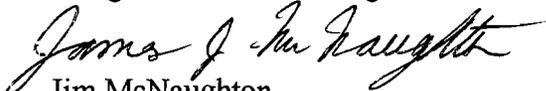
Dear Washington and Multnomah County Board of Commissioners:

It gives us great pleasure to recommend Shantu Shah for the Oregon Senate seat vacated by Senator Ryan Deckert (D -District 14).

Shantu over the last few years has worked with us for many evenings and weekends as a team with sincerity, honesty, diligence and intelligence to get required signatures for petitions, and to place various initiatives such as the Washington County public utility district, and campaign finance reform legislation successfully on the ballot.

We have also worked with Shantu on his campaigns for the Raleigh Water Board Commission and the Representative in the Oregon First Congressional District during 2004 and 2006. Shantu has worked with us on the Platform Committee for Washington County Democrats.

Shantu would be a great asset for the Oregon legislature to provide exemplary legislation and laws that would certainly advance better education, environment, health care, and living conditions for Oregonians.


Jim McNaughton

Phone: 503-439-1292



Colm Brennan

Phone: 503-531-8683

Shantu Shah

as a graduate of the 1997-98 Charter Class of

Leadership Beaverton

a nine-month program dedicated to the development of leadership skills for reinvestment in Beaverton area companies, organizations and the community.

The Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce extends its congratulations on this 7th day of May, 1998.



John Godsey, Leadership Beaverton Chair



Tim Estes, Chamber President

David Anawalt

Sharon Benson

Nancy Briggs

Sean Burton

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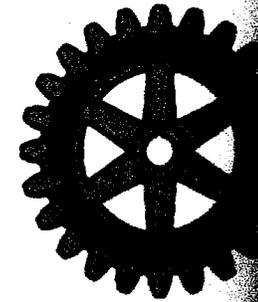
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John Vietreck



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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

ROTARY DISTRICT 5100 LEADERSHIP TRAINING

2006-2007

Be it known that

Shantu Shah

**has successfully completed the
Rotary District Leadership Training Course**

Attested to this 6th day of May, 2007


Tom Jenkins, Coordinator


Shantu Shah, District Governor

Kalakenhra

SOCIETY FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS OF INDIA
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Presented to

Shantanu Shah

In appreciation of his dedicated service as
a member of the board of directors.

June 16, 2017



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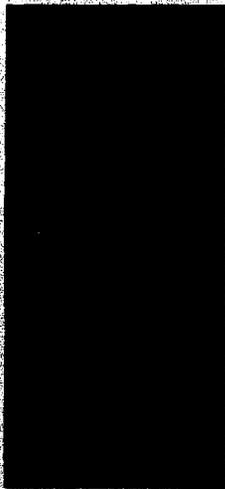
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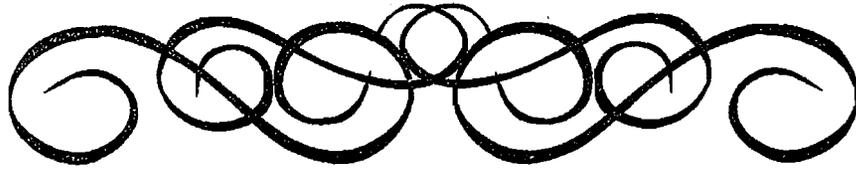
*in recognition of being inducted into
Rotary in 1986-87.*



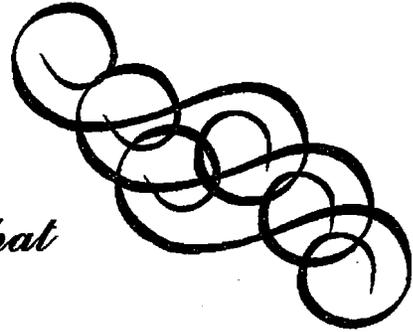
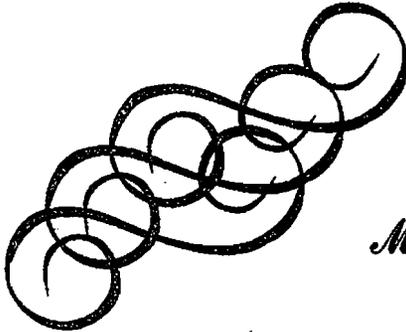
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M.A.T. Caporas
President, Rotary International



Service Above Self



May it be known that

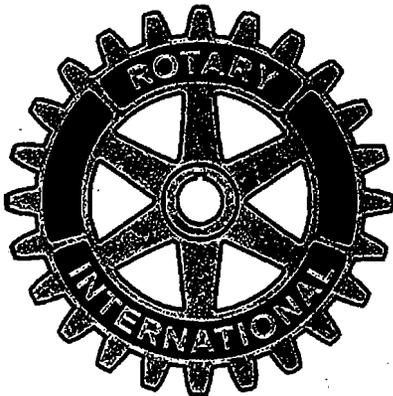
Shantu Shah

was the Guest Speaker at

The Rotary Club of

Portland Metropolitan

*and as an Expression of Appreciation for Courtesies extended
to this Club we hereby present this Certificate.*



Dated this 15th day of

May 2006

President

[Signature]

Secretary

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



Shantu N. Shah

is hereby named a

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

in appreciation of tangible and significant assistance given for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations among peoples of the world.



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Chairman, The Rotary Foundation Trustees

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President, Rotary International

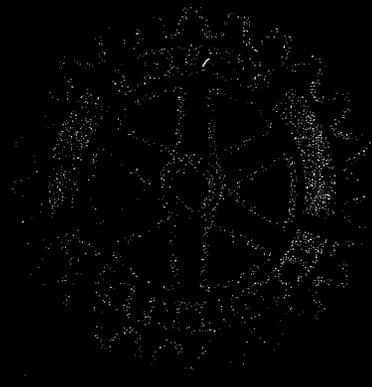
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July 11, 1997

Mr. Shantu N. Shah
President
Engineering Design Corporation
5150 SW Griffith Drive
Beaverton, OR 97005

Dear Mr. Shah:

Congratulations on your recent success in the Portland Business Journal Fastest Growing 100 competition. Your business success helps assure continued economic vitality throughout our region.

Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P. is proud to be a sponsor of this exciting event. As we celebrate our centennial anniversary, we are reminded of the effort required to achieve business success. Like you, we are driven by a desire to achieve excellence, to provide superior service to our clients, to be good corporate citizens and to grow in the marketplace.

Continued success on your endeavors. Your contribution to the community is appreciated. Your recognition is well deserved.

All the best,



Linda Hoffman
Managing Partner
Portland Office

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OF ENGINEERING EXAMINERS

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

This is to Certify, that Shantubhai Natvarlal Shah has been registered as Professional Engineer, and is authorized to practice Professional Engineering in the State of Oregon, in accordance with the Laws of Oregon, having especially qualified in Electrical Engineering

In Testimony Whereof, this Certificate No. 9980 has been issued, and the Seal of the Board affixed thereto this 6 day of October, 1978 at Salem, Oregon.

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