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To: Kristina Ortiz

Subject: Letter to Bayard City Council

To the esteemed members of the Bayard City Council:

I am here today as a concerned member of the community. I took part in Cobre High School's Summer Fest this past Saturday and was appalled at the behavior of Councilwoman Francis Gonzales. I was walking past her tent to go back to the Republican Party tent and overheard her talking to herself saying she told the organizers to keep her tent away from political party tents. I then stopped and told her the Democratic Party's tent was a couple of tents away from her location. She then proceeded to say that the Republicans were not good people and stated that "they do not like people like us." (Insinuating that they are racist) In which I promptly responded saying I am a Republican and then stated in Spanish "también son para pa gente que trabajan." She then replied saying she was the chairwoman before and became a Democrat because Republicans are not good people. I decided to leave well enough alone as this event was for the children and should not have anything to do with political divisions.

She is an official of the city of Bayard and should be diplomatic, respectful, and unprejudiced towards all people. I find this is a direct representation of the city of Bayard and it does not reflect well upon the community. I implore you all to further investigate Councilwoman Gonzales' behavior as her actions reflect very poorly on the city of Bayard.

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