

Tradition upheld

Grant elected '92 mayor; Bates named pro tem



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Outgoing Farmington Hills Mayor Aldo Vagnozzi congratulates councilwoman Nancy Bates for her election as mayor pro tem.

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Mayor pro tem Jonathan Grant was elected Farmington Hills' 1992 mayor.

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Hills to get involved."

In nominating Grant, Bates spoke of his "careful analysis of problems," his "determination to protect the interests of the city," and his honor and integrity.

"As a friend I know him to be great good fun," Bates said, adding he should be elected as mayor or for sainthood.

COUNCILMAN Larry Lichtman nominated Bates. "Nancy is a bright, generous and sincere lady," He also spoke of her community involve-

ment in past years, including her role in helping to start the Commission on Aging.

"One attribute I have come to value — you can count on Nancy to say what she means and mean what she says," said Lichtman, re-elected to a two-year council term Nov. 5.

Before the nominations, Bates congratulated Vagnozzi for his work as mayor and "his superb leadership to this council and community." The words were a turnaround from the previous year, when Vagnozzi's election as mayor was contentious and resulted in a split vote.

Vagnozzi's election fell on the heels of his and former councilwoman Jean Fox's apparent interference in the city's litigation with Boys Republic in defiance of city council resolutions prohibiting such meddling. The city charter dictates that the mayor's role is ceremonial and honorary. Traditionally, the mayor pro tem automatically is elected mayor for the next year. The mayor also leads the city council meetings. Mayors serve for one year.

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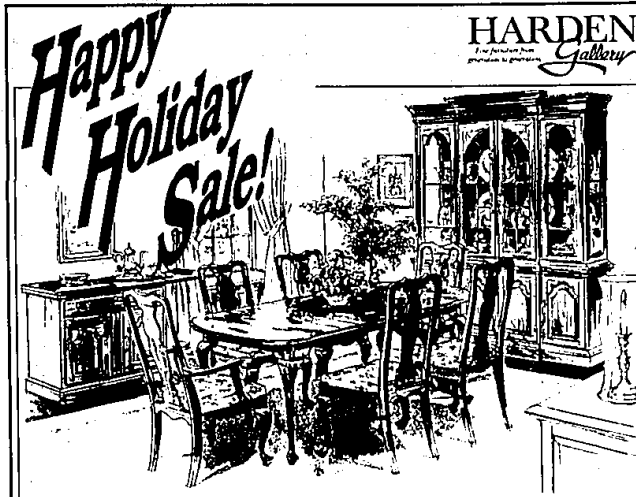
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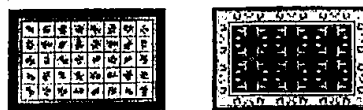
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