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Appeal of Civic Organizations and Unions to the Parliament of Georgia

Us, civic organizations and unions apply to you once more for nominating and appointing Tamar Gurchiani to the position of public defender of Georgia.

Initially her candidacy was supported by 39 civic organizations and unions; however, currently number of her supporters throughout Georgia has reached hundred and is increasing. She is equally endorsed by organizations specializing in civil and political rights, social, environmental, cultural preservation affairs, protection of rights of women, children and persons with disabilities as well as various vulnerable groups

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and independent media organizations.

In interviews with Tamar Gurchiani broadcasted by media recently as well as TV-debates between the candidates has convinced us once more that Tamar Gurchiani is politically impartial, a person of principle, highly qualified lawyer and has an extensive experience in working in the field of human rights. In particular, throughout the years she has participated in local, regional and international projects for the promotions of media freedom, government transparency, good governance and fair elections.

She treats everyone equally as to her, non-discriminatory approach is the key. In view of her professional assets, we hereby apply to you to approve the candidacy of Tamar Gurchiani for the position of public defender.

Signatory organizations and unions

1. Article 42 of the Constitution
2. Transparency International – Georgia
3. Public Defender
4. Georgian Young Lawyers' Association
5. Multinational Georgia
6. International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy
7. Laboratory 1918
8. Youth Center for Independent Living
9. Tiflisi Hamkari
10. Media Club
11. Research Center for Protection Human Rights and Social Justice
12. Cultural Relations Center Caucasian House
13. Support

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14. Identity
15. Charter of Journalistic Ethics
16. Community Development Center
17. Strategic Research Center
18. Center for Strategic Research and Development of Georgia
19. Child, Family, Public
20. NGO Let's Be Friends
21. Civic Development Institute
22. Women's Fund
23. Studio Mobile – Focus on Movement
24. Association of Social Workers of Georgia
25. Women's Initiative for Equality
26. Caucasus Women's Network
27. Center for Conflicts and Negotiations
28. Youth for Justice – Georgia
29. Kvemo Kartli Women's Association Women and World
30. Armenian Women – Citizens of Georgia
31. Bolnisi Language House
32. LGBT Georgia
33. Group for Supporting Women's Initiatives
34. Kvemo Kartli Public Information Center

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35. Kvemo Kartli Union between Ethnic
36. Center for training and Consultation
37. Soviet Past Research Laboratory (Sov Lab)
38. Coalition for independent Living
39. Youth Center for Independent Living
40. Evangelical Baptist Church
41. Institute for the Development of Freedom of Information
42. Community Organization Temka – Sea District
43. Young Christians for Peace and Democracy
44. Media and Public Association
45. Academy for International Education and Development
46. Civil Society Development Center
47. CISV Georgia
48. Georgian Young Greens
49. Georgian Center for the Development of Business Caucasus
50. Safe Space
51. Association of Georgian Young Constitutionalists
52. The Bible Society of Georgia
53. Expressnews News Agency
54. New Newspaper
55. Newspress.ge information agency

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56. Social Activity for Civil Development
57. Non-commercial legal entity Positive
58. NGO Samtskhe-Javakheti Media Center
59. Freedom Club
60. Sakdoc Film
61. Focus Magazine
62. Union of Young Teachers
63. Georgian Association of Educational Initiatives- SIQA
64. TV 25
65. Urban Reactor
66. Association – Society for Development
67. Institute for Peace and Harmonious Development
68. NGO Young Socialists
69. Newspaper
70. Newspaper Gateway to the South
71. AgroMedia
72. People's Newspaper
73. Caucasus Journalists Network
74. International Partnership for Human Rights
75. UN Association of Georgia
76. Meokhi 2010

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77. Leaders for Democracy Association
78. Faith Gospel Church
79. Media Foundation
80. TV Net
81. Club of Contemporary Artists
82. Group for Legal Development and Consultations
83. Kheli Khels
84. Multiculturalism Research Centre
85. Accessible Environment for Everyone, movement
86. Trust, association of Georgia's psycho-social assistance
87. Union of TV Viewers
88. Association of Civil Development of Georgia
89. Civic Initiative (Tsnori)
90. Chemi Karagauli newspaper
91. Community Organization Nukriani
92. Team for Education and Management
93. Center for Ethnic and Confession Relations
94. Biological Farming Association Elkana
95. Evangelical Protestant Church of Georgia
96. Center for Development of Election Environment
97. Iberia Advisory Group

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98. Media.ge

99. Svaneti Tourism Center