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Winnipeg City Councillor | Charleswood - Tuxedo - Westwood Chairperson - Winnipeg Police Board

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Mayor Brian Bowman 510 Main Street Winnipeg, MB R3B 1B9

Dear Mayor Bowman,

I am writing today to ask for your support. Casting a vote is a right many people around the world don't have. It is a right thousands of women and men, many from Winnipeg, Canada and the World died defending that right.

It's common knowledge that each election is becoming more and more important as our City, Province and Country face a multitude of challenges. Voter turnout has also been declining over the years. The declines can be attributed to several factors. I'm asking that you and all of Council act as one and eliminate at least one obstacle voters face on Election Day, transportation.

I was delighted to speak with a resident in Charleswood-Tuxedo-Westwood recently. He shared an article with me that presented an interesting concept. It should be noted that less than one year ago, Ken St. George and I were Council candidate adversaries. Now we find ourselves in agreement on the intent off a concept in a story he read about in Edmonton. It is a reasonable solution to protect the rights many died to protect.

Mr. Mayor would you join us as one voice and declare Election Day a Ride Free Day in Winnipeg. With one less obstacle to overcome, Free Transit Service October 21, 2019 until 8:30PM will, I hope motivate more people to exercise their democratic right.

Respecting the financial implications, I believe funding for this gesture is an investment not an expense. There is room in our budget to support this year's election. I would like to extend an arm of partnership to the Provincial and Federal Governments prior to their next Elections. To present a more formal By-Law all of council will cast final vote.

I would remiss if I didn't thank Ken St. George one more time for collaborating with me. Thanks also to you for your time and consideration. I look forward to collaborating with you and all our colleagues as one visible untied voice in the name of democracy and in the best interest of our Community.

Kind Regards,

Respectfully,

Kevin E Klein City of Winnipeg Councillor representing Charleswood-Tuxedo-Westwood

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