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Council
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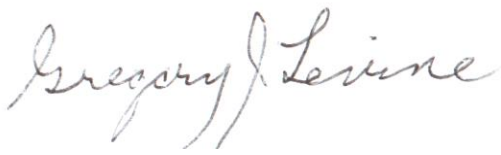
To all Members of Council,

Re. Submission of Complaint Report

Attached to this letter is a report concerning allegations of breaches of the Code of Conduct. For reasons outlined in the Report the findings are made with respect to the 1994 Code. The Report outlines why there are no breaches under that Code.

Generally, when an investigation does not find breaches of the Code, no report is submitted to Council. While that is what is to happen generally, it is possible to submit a Report when there is an issue of public interest which bears public airing and Council consideration. It is my submission that that is the case here. In particular, the role of members of Council is discussed in the Report and that role is ultimately a pivotal factor in analyzing whether or not breaches of the Code occur. It is my submission that Council needs to encourage members through training to appreciate the limits of their role and it ought in my view to make representations to the Province to introduce legislation which would incorporate duties of council members into the Winnipeg Charter (as the Province has in the Municipal Act).

It is for this reason which I believe is of public interest that I submit this report to the Council for its consideration.



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