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CITY COUNCILLOR - POINT DOUGLAS

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LSWK Community Committee
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Dear LSWK Committee Colleagues,

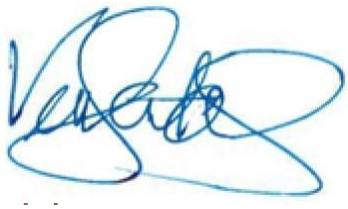
I would like to thank you for hearing the application for waiver of criteria today, July 4, 2025, to support the Knights of Rizal Winnipeg Chapter Organization with their request of $10,000 to create a permanent pedestal to mount the Dr. Jose. P. Rizal marker that was gifted to the City of Winnipeg and to the Knights of Rizal by the National Historic Commission of the Philippines.

The official transfer from the Philippine Consulate in Toronto to the City of Winnipeg took place at a ceremony held June 19, 2025, at the existing statue of Philippine national hero, Dr. Jose P. Rizal, to accept this beautiful gift and commemorate Dr. Rizal's birthday.

There is nowhere on the existing statue base that this beautiful gift can be displayed and protected. I would like to support a suitable home for this marker. This marker also received unanimous support from the Welcoming Winnipeg Committee.

I am in full support to waive criteria on this Land Dedication Request so Point Douglas Ward may support this request to be able to provide for the display of the marker for all Winnipeggers to share, and to be able to learn of Dr. Jose P. Rizal's contributions to the Philippines, Canada, and the world.

Kind regards,



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