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**Dear Yellowknife City Council,**

I appreciate the opportunity to address the critical issues you've highlighted for our community.

**Community Government Underfunding:**

Recognizing the urgent need to bridge the funding gap, I wholeheartedly support working with the city collaboratively and fostering a healthy relationship. I believe that increased funding is vital for delivering essential services, maintaining infrastructure, and enhancing our residents' quality of life.

**Social Support:**

I am fully supportive of the Yellowknife's Street Outreach program, expanding its reach and impact.

I would look to champion the GNWT's "A Way Home" initiatives, advocating for sustained funding and implementation.

I am committed to exploring and implementing innovative crisis response models like CAHOOTS, fostering a compassionate approach to mental health crises.

To address homelessness, addictions, and mental health, I will collaborate with stakeholders, prioritizing evidence-based programs and supporting community-driven solutions. I would also reach out to other territories and provinces to foster collaboration and idea sharing.

**Economic Development:**

My vision for economic development in the NWT focuses on diversification, innovation, and

sustainability. I advocate for strategic investments in key sectors, job training, and support for local entrepreneurs.

I will work to strengthen and diversify the economy by promoting green technologies, supporting small businesses, and fostering partnerships between industries and educational institutions.

As the Giant Mine remediation progresses, I will explore opportunities for local employment, training, and sustainable development in the north, maximizing economic benefits for our community.

### **Emergency Management:**

I believe we need to increase core funding for emergency preparedness in all communities, ensuring they can effectively respond to evolving hazards.

We should secure funding for the update of Community Wildfire Protection Plans, prioritizing community safety and resilience.

### **Legislation:**

I fully support prioritizing legislative reviews, including modernizing property assessment and taxation laws and clarifying the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief Act.

I will collaborate closely with the City Council to advocate for legislative changes, fostering a conducive environment for our community's growth and prosperity.

I will actively explore and champion additional legislation that addresses our community's evolving needs, ensuring Yellowknife continues to thrive.

Thank you for considering my commitment to addressing these crucial issues. I am dedicated to working collaboratively, ensuring Yellowknife remains a safe, vibrant, and inclusive community for all.

Best Regards,

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