

Dear Council President Lantry,

We are writing in support of File #: RES 12-554, the anti-corporate personhood resolution. The inalienable rights granted to human beings by the constitution are for human beings, and not corporations. In a time when people's trust in the government is waning, passing this resolution is a step forward in legitimizing government. The federal government should be held to the same standard for democracy as the City of St. Paul. As a City, we can join Duluth, New York and others to show that we oppose the unrestricted ability of corporations to spend money to influence elections, candidate selection and policy decisions. By passing this bill in St. Paul, we will build momentum for similar bills in the MN State Legislature, which is a critical step toward our ultimate goal, a Constitutional Amendment. Please let us know how you plan to vote on this.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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