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To: [CouncilHearing \(CI-StPaul\)](#)
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Hello,

I'm writing to support the Root & Restore proposal of defunding the police and using our tax money to create more community based practices, with trained people to address the multiple problems in our city.

The police simply cannot do it all. They are not trained mental health crisis workers, they are not trained to intervene in domestic abuse, etc.

The police are needed at times but all too often - as our history has demonstrated, they respond with excessive violence - often leading to the death of mostly BIPOC.

This has to stop!

We demand that our tax dollars be spent on methods that truly support our people and help to heal the problems. This is beyond the scope of a police department.

Sincerely
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"We Who Believe in Freedom Cannot Rest Until It Comes"
written by Bernince Johnson Reagon as an anthem to the freedom fight and the bold commitment required to create a just world.