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Councilmember Anika Bowie 15 West Kellogg BLVD Saint Paul, MN 55102

Councilmember Bowie:

The North End Neighborhood Organization supports the creation of a Public Safety and Community Wellness Committee and its stated purpose to strengthen public safety, enhance transparency, improve service delivery and build community wellness.

We are encouraged that the City Council recognizes the unique challenges regarding public safety including but not limited to; high overtime spending, recruitment and retention issues, program transparency, and resource gaps in public safety services, including for homelessness, encampments, evictions, and chemical dependency; and are creating a working group to address these concerns in our Capital City.

The resolution created encompasses all that is necessary, is thoughtful and respectful, lays out the planned committee work and is fair and equitable. As a district council we appreciate the work and thoughtfulness that went into the proposed resolution.

Thank you for the opportunity to support Ward 1 sponsored legislation to create the Saint Paul Public Safety and Community Wellness Committee.

Regards

Betti Ingman

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