

From: Erica Bouldin
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2024 1:56 PM
To: City Clerk <cityclerk@grand-rapids.mi.us>
Subject: 3rd Ward Commissioner - Letter of Support

Dear City Commission,

I am writing to express my gratitude to the committee on appointments for selecting Marshall Kilgore as a finalist to fill the vacancy on the city commission representing the 3rd Ward. Marshall's dedication to human rights advocacy and his proven effectiveness in leading efforts around important issues make him an exceptional candidate for this position.

As a highly effective human rights advocate, Marshall has successfully brought together thousands of individuals around our state and within our ward to address critical issues such as gun violence prevention and environmental conservation. His ability to mobilize communities and drive meaningful change is a testament to his leadership skills and commitment to making a positive impact.

Marshall's experience as the Chair of the Vital Streets Oversight Commission demonstrates his ability to lead and manage city boards and commissions effectively. His track record of success in this role indicates that he will be able to hit the ground running on day one as our next city commissioner, bringing valuable experience and expertise to the position.

Many of our neighbors are thrilled at the prospect of having an energetic and compassionate leader like Marshall represent our ward on the city commission. His kindness, commitment to learning, and genuine concern for the well-being of our community make him the clear choice to advocate for the residents of the 3rd Ward.

In conclusion, I wholeheartedly support Marshall Kilgore's appointment as the next city commissioner for the 3rd Ward. His dedication to human rights, proven leadership abilities, and genuine compassion for our community make him an excellent candidate for this important role. I am confident that Marshall will serve our ward with integrity and dedication, and I look forward to seeing the positive impact he will make as a member of the city commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

With hope,

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