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Minneapolis City Council
City Hall – Room 370
350 South 5th Street
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SUBJECT: Nominating Margaret Anderson Kelliher to the appointed position of City Operations Officer

Dear Council President Payne, Council Vice President Osman, and Council Members:

With this letter, I am nominating Margaret Anderson Kelliher to the appointed position of City Operations Officer.

In Ms. Anderson Kelliher's time as COO, the Office of Public Service has been established with an eye toward sustainability and systems of operation. Under her leadership, department heads have stabilized the Office of Civil Rights, completed the overhaul of OPCR, and eliminated the case backlog; restructured the City's communications functions into a centralized department that provides service across the enterprise; led successful negotiation through Labor Relations of many union contracts; and continued the work to modernize procurement practices across the City.

Ms. Anderson Kelliher has overseen several high-profile community engagement projects that have made progress toward completion, including the Southside Community Safety Center, Democracy Center, and George Floyd Square. Under her leadership, the City also launched its first Mobile Medical Unit, providing treatment and resources directly in community.

I am grateful to Ms. Anderson Kelliher for her willingness to continue serving as City Operations Officer. Her skillset is invaluable as we look to the meaningful work ahead.

I request that the City Council forward her name as the person we are considering for appointment to the role of City Operations Officer and refer it to the proper Council Committee for a public hearing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Jacob Frey
CC: Casey Carl, City Clerk