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Dear Permanent or Seasonal Residents of the Municipality of Temagami:

Hello, Bonjour, Aaniin. I am a candidate for one of the six Councillor positions in the upcoming Municipal election on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. I believe I have the judgement and leadership skills to help the Council effectively manage the challenging work for which it is responsible. I am currently a member of the Municipal Council having been appointed to fill a vacancy that was created due to the resignation of a former Councillor.

I'm a Senior Business Services Manager in the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services and work in North Bay, three days a week. I am responsible for a \$750M budget which requires that I have strong financial management skills. Through my work experience, I have an in-depth knowledge of the development of government programs and policies, as well as the political decision-making process. I am also familiar with the Municipality of Temagami's By-Laws and Policies, such as 'Council Procedures', in addition to other important Provincial Acts and Legislation.

The role of the Council is to make decisions about municipal finances and services. A primary responsibility is to ensure that the municipality's financial and administrative resources are being used as efficiently as possible. If elected to Council, I will provide effective financial stewardship by protecting the long-term assets of the Municipality. I will also work to ensure that financial management and operations are accountable and transparent to taxpayers.

**All Candidates Night!**  
Temagami Arena  
100 Spruce Drive  
6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct 6  
May be broadcast on the  
Temagami and District  
Chamber of Commerce's  
[Facebook page](#)  
Participate either virtually  
or in person.  
Check FB page in coming  
weeks for more info

As you may know, the first draft of the Municipality of Temagami's Official Plan is in the approval process. The policies of the plan seek to create a model of sustainable development that will support the Municipality's future stability. If elected, as Councillor over the next four years, I will make municipal planning decisions that integrate regional ecological sustainability, economic objectives and social needs. The vision, objectives and policies that the community was engaged in developing deserve to be implemented.

Our Municipality is located within the Robinson-Huron Treaty (Treaty 61) area and within the traditional territories of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai and Temagami

First Nation. Cultural heritage, including architectural and archaeological resources, are of inherent value and of great importance to all of us as they help us understand our place in history. In my view, the Municipal Council is most successful and will achieve its greatest potential when we work collaboratively with all our partners because with each other we are – **Better Together!**

For thirty years, my husband John and I have been canoeing and fishing in Temagami, with our two sons. Five years ago, we decided that this spectacular region was where we wanted to live and we now happily reside in Temagami on a permanent basis. As a Municipal Councillor, I am passionate about seeing the Region prosper economically year-round and protecting the natural environment. I am confident that many of you share the same vision. If so, please vote for me so we can build a Temagami that we will be proud to pass on to future generations – **Better Together!**

Thank you, Merci, Miigwech.



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