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**RE: Proposed Charter Amendments to the Minneapolis City Charter  
Minneapolis Charter Commission Response Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §410.12**

Dear Ms. Qutob:

The Minneapolis Charter Commission received your organization's letter dated November 17, 2011 regarding proposed amendments to the City's Charter. We note that the City of Minneapolis Clerk's Office did not receive your letter until November 28, 2011. Attached is a time-stamped copy of the letter that you sent, and the proposed charter amendments. Accordingly, our response required by Minn. Stat. §410.12 is due to you on or before December 8, 2011.

Per Minn. Stat. §410.12, the Minneapolis Charter Commission has reviewed your proposed charter changes along with the summaries you submitted. The statute only allows for use of a summary when the proposed charter amendment exceeds 1,000 words. Since the changes you submit are less than 1,000 words, the statute does not allow you to use a summary when gathering signatures for a petition. Accordingly, the Charter Commission does not approve the proposed summary for use in the petition process. To comply with the statute, the full amendment must be attached to your petition without a summary.

The Minneapolis Charter Commission expresses no opinion on the form or substance of the proposed charter changes.

Barry Lazarus, Vice Chair  
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