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Dear 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Neighbor:

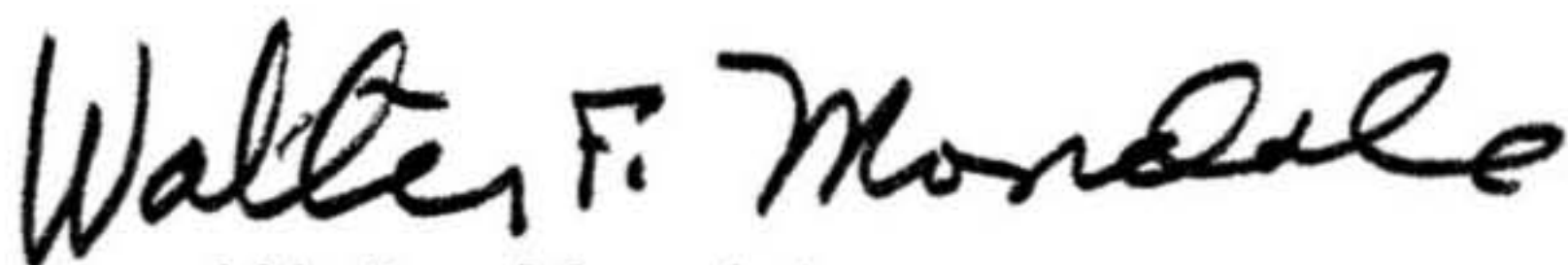
I am writing to urge you to vote to re-elect Diane Hofstede to serve as our City Council member next Tuesday, November 5.

I know Diane well. She and I participated in the Habitat for Humanity project that helped turn the once dangerous Hawthorne Eco Village neighborhood into one where families are now moving in knowing that their children can walk and play safely in their community. Watching Diane's tireless efforts convinced me that she has the commitment, energy, and ability to bring people together and solve very difficult problems. And her work in making neighborhoods better isn't done. In 2013, Green Homes North, a City of Minneapolis partnership of non-profit and for profit agencies announced plans to build another 100 green homes in North Minneapolis.

Like you, I love our Mississippi River. Diane has truly focused our city's attention and resources on the Mississippi River. Many of us oppose the proposed Crown Hydro project that threatens our priceless St. Anthony Falls. The outcome of this struggle is still in doubt and we need Diane's dedication and experience in the months ahead. Diane was a founding member of, and former Chair,

of the Minneapolis Riverfront Partnership, an organization spearheading revitalization, and focus, on our riverfront in the long ignored the North & Northeast communities. Those communities will now have access to riverfront parks and amenities. The wonderful new Scherer Park, and the future plans for our new eight acre park in Northeast is a testament to her leadership working with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board and their staff.

The Third Ward is a thriving community and Joan and I are proud to call it our home. I am keenly aware that the success of our city and our future of success is not a small task. It takes leadership, experience, and a desire to make government work, despite obstacles, and differences of opinions. That is what Diane Hofstede gives us every day and that why she has our wholehearted support.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Walter F. Mondale". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Walter Mondale