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Mr. Joe Roberts
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Dear Joe,

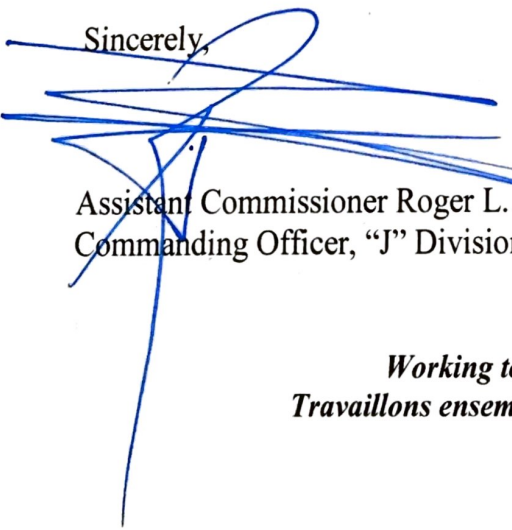
I was profoundly moved when I first heard you speak at the Ontario Police Commissioners Executive Development Symposium. I knew that I had to bring your message back to New Brunswick and do what I could to help you achieve your mission: "To create a country where vulnerable youth are supported at the crucial crossroads in their life - keeping them engaged in school and community and preventing them from entering homelessness".

The presentation about your personal life story of losing your father at a young age, homelessness and drug addiction touched the audience in Fredericton as they at some point in their policing career had come across similar stories of young persons who had fallen between the cracks with no way back. You inspired the audience to believe they too can make a difference when you credit your journey from a life of homelessness to becoming a very successful CEO to your mother and a brief interaction with a police officer when you were at your lowest. Your message, that every interaction we have in our lives can make a difference, is a powerful one, particularly for police officers who often encounter people at vulnerable moments in their lives.

The RCMP in "J" division along with its partner agencies look forward to supporting "The Push for Change" as you embark on a Canada wide journey to end youth homelessness and commit to assisting you with your voyage through New Brunswick.

I am looking forward to walking alongside you this summer in support of "The Push for Change".

Sincerely,



Assistant Commissioner Roger L. Brown, O.O.M.
Commanding Officer, "J" Division

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