

June 28, 2017

Dear Joe Roberts,

RE: The Push for Change

On behalf of City Council and the citizens of Yellowknife, I am pleased to welcome you and the team from The Push for Change into the City of Yellowknife, as you persevere in your efforts to bring an end to youth homelessness.

Your own personal story of how you got through homelessness, and grew up to be who you are today, is proof enough that it is a battle worth fighting for. We have to keep this issue on our minds, and concentrate our efforts in order to bring it to an end. "Everyone is HOME: Yellowknife's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness" is one of Yellowknife's answers to the terrible crisis that is homelessness.

I applaud your determination and all the hard work that you have devoted so far towards the fight to end youth homelessness. The journey you have undertaken with The Push for Change has had, and continues to have, a tremendous impact on everyone who has the chance to witness it or participate in any way. On an occasion such as Canada's sesquicentennial, this initiative provides a great opportunity to look back and reflect on our rich history, and to recognize the challenges that still need to be addressed. This walk is an inspiration and demonstrates the determination required to reach our goals.

Once again, thank you for your selflessness and I wish you continued success as you travel across Canada to create awareness and push for change.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Heyck Mayor

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