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Monique B. Jones

July 25, 2018

Mayor Steve Hagerty  
2100 Ridge Avenue  
Evanston, IL 60201

Subject: Climate Commitment to Mayor Hagerty's Climate Action and Resilience Plan

Dear Mayor Hagerty,

Thank you for inviting the Evanston Community Foundation to the April 5<sup>th</sup> Climate Action Meeting of large employers. As an organization we are committed to continuing to be an active member of the Evanston community. We are excited to join other large employers and the City in reducing our contribution to climate change and ensuring Evanston is prepared for its impacts.

*ECF works to support a more vibrant, just and inclusive Evanston Community. To that end we support initiatives to improve livability for all Evanstonians.*

We readily take numerous steps to reduce our impact on climate change including the ones below:

Existing Climate/Energy/Sustainability Initiatives

- Waste reduction & recycling for day to day office operations and events
- Supporting Donor Initiatives for climate change by hosting donor advised funds and organizational endowments.

We understand that in order for the Evanston community meet its ambitious goals, such as 100% Clean Energy and eventual carbon neutrality, additional action is necessary from all members of the Evanston community. That is why we are excited to announce that in order to support these community goals we are prepared to commit to the following:

New Climate/Energy/Sustainability Commitments

- Educating the nonprofit community on actions they can take to reduce their impact on climate change and support the plan.

- Review the guidelines of ECF's Climate Action Fund for opportunities to create long term funding streams for this local carbon offset program.
- Explore opportunities to partner with the City of Evanston on joint grant ventures such as Partners for Places.
- Explore funding opportunities to support the non-profit community in reducing their contribution to climate change and preparing for the impacts.

In addition to this/these commitments we agree to provide an annual update to the City on the status of these commitments to ensure community progress in fighting climate change.

We want to thank the Mayor for his leadership on this important community issue and we look forward to continuing to making Evanston the Most Livable City in America.

Respectfully,

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

Monique B. Jones

President & CEO