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Statement from the Mayor

City Councillor Apologizes for Social Media Comments Made on Racial Equity

October 8, 2020 – Iqaluit, Nunavut

Mayor Bell is aware of recent social media posts made by a City Councillor in response to a racialized statement yesterday. The Councillor has since made a public apology.

The City of Iqaluit is committed to the inclusion of all its community members regardless of the social constructs of race, ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation. The City would like to ensure the community that the comments made do not represent of the views and values of City Council.

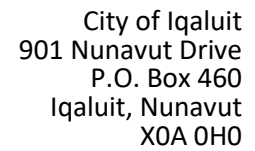
Statement from Mayor Bell:

“City Councillors are held accountable to following the City’s code of conduct and human rights and anti-harassment policy. Council will be discussing this together at the next City Council meeting and will take this opportunity to look at additional ways to educate council on racism, biases, and other social discrimination.

City Councillors represent the entire community and we will respect the diverse nature of all our citizens.”

The City encourages residents to continue to be aware of social inequities and racism, and to speak up and teach others.

If there are concerns you would like to bring to the attention of City Staff, please file a complaint through the City website at <https://www.iqaluit.ca/complaints-and-compliments>.



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