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Dear Fellow Clawson Resident,

No matter who you are or where you live, the upcoming election on November 3rd will in some way impact you. Do you want your neighbors deciding for you on such important matters as:

<i>Your property value?</i>	<i>Your public safety?</i>	<i>The direction of our downtown?</i>
<i>Amount of property taxes you pay?</i>		<i>The cost of your water?</i>
<i>How your taxes are spent?</i>		<i>Which roads get repaired?</i>

Local elections have more of an impact on our day-to-day lives than any other election. Yet, the aforementioned items, and many more, are decided by only 21% of the residents of this City! Out of 9290 registered voters in Clawson, 1982 voters decided these matters for everyone else during the last local election.

One of the many benefits of living in a small city is that your vote really can count. In fact, during the last City election we had races decided by as few as 16 votes! Lastly, voting in local elections is an excellent way to show our children the importance of civic involvement and what it means to belong to a community.

As you consider voting on November 3rd, I encourage you to find out as much information as you can concerning the candidates and the proposed transfer of water debt to your tax role. Non-partisan information regarding the candidates can be found on the League of Women Voters website at www.lwvoa.org.

I feel that the City has lost some of its momentum at the most critical time. We should be aggressively competing for new homeowners and protecting our property values. Instead, we are dealing with the consequences of neglecting the basic tenets of leadership: communication, shared vision, accountability, and action. It is during these turbulent times that we need bold leadership that is willing to fight to protect our property values and market share. In short, I believe we should not let a good crisis go to waste!

I am running for Mayor to help correct these issues and to get Clawson moving forward again. I am a firm believer in personal accountability for myself and those I surround myself with. I will not accept the status quo; Instead I will demand continuous improvement in all areas of government. I believe this to be a necessity in order to pro-actively compete against our municipal neighbors for new home and business owners.

I have had the opportunity to serve you in the capacity of Councilman and Mayor Pro-Tem during some of our most exciting and successful times and I thank you for all of your support. Both my experience from city government and my professional career have led me to understand the intricacies of local government and the flow of communication required to successfully serve as your Mayor. I ask you for your vote so that I can help move us forward and maintain our mutual pride in Clawson. Please feel free to contact me for additional information at: 248-515-6847, email@kurthack.com, or by visiting my website at www.kurthack.com.

Sincerely,

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