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I am pleased to offer a letter of support for the application submitted by Mr. Winston Williams, to the London City Policing Board.

Mr. Williams is an experienced police professional who encompasses the necessary requirements and knowledge that will make him an asset to the boards structure. As I understand there is a dire need for representation from a diverse minority and Mr. Williams encompasses what is required.

In conclusion, I wish to convey that there have been alarming rates of Indigenous peoples within the Justice system across the country; and given that the City of London has become home to many Indigenous populations, there is a dire need for adequate representation.

I am in full support of not only being able to have an Indigenous representative sitting on the policing board, but really wish to convey my sentiments that this position must be held by an individual who can identify as Indigenous.

I call upon the city of London leadership, in the spirit of reconciliation to stand firm with its commitments to renewing and maintain its relationship with area Indigenous peoples and consider allowing space for our peoples to amplify Indigenous perspectives that will support collaborative decision-making processes.

*Jacqueline French*

**Chief Jacqueline French**  
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