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SUBJECT: Mayor Emily Larson Announces New Community Relations Officer

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[Duluth, MN] Mayor Emily Larson announces new Community Relations Officer, Breanna Ellison.

The Community Relations Officer plays a critical role in ensuring Duluthians have access to City resources and services, serves as a liaison between the Mayor’s office and City departments, other governmental agencies, and community organizations.

“I am excited to work with Breanna,” states Mayor Larson. “She was selected from almost forty impressive applicants and brings tremendous experiences, skills, and insights to our work. This role is vital to our residents as a bridge between the community and our departments and services. Breanna understands our community and will be an asset to everything we do.”

“I am thrilled and honored to serve as Community Relations Officer for the City of Duluth,” said Ellison. “I look forward to working alongside Mayor Larson, City staff, and our community in this vital work. I am deeply invested in doing my part to create a thriving Duluth across all neighborhoods. Our city is accomplishing meaningful and crucial work, with constant growth happening — and even more important work is yet to be done. Stepping into this role, I bring a commitment to work hard for and with Duluthians. I could not be more excited to dive into this role and serve our community.”

“I look forward to working with Breanna Ellison in her new role as the City of Duluth’s Community Relations Officer,” said Police Chief Mike Ceynowa. “I am excited to see what ideas she brings to the table to help our city make sure we are hearing from our entire community. This role has assisted our department in connecting with people from all aspects of our community. Breanna has a diverse background working in our community with youth and adults, which will be valuable to us in her role.”

Prior to stepping into the Community Relations Officer position, Breanna worked with the City of Duluth’s Workforce Development department as an Employment Counselor. She is currently serving as a board member with the St. Louis River Alliance, as well as volunteering time with other community organizations. She is a licensed educator and

holds a Bachelor's degree in both History and Teaching Social Studies from the University of Minnesota Duluth. In her free time, she coaches girls' basketball at Superior High School and enjoys playing broomball, music, and spending time with her partner and their two dogs. Breanna will begin work as Community Relations Officer in mid-February of this year.

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Breanna Ellison