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Dear Mr. Evans,

I want to thank you for sharing your thoughtful questionnaire to municipal candidates. Your advocacy and perspective is important as we look ahead to the municipal election on October 22.

In response to your questions, I am pleased to answer an enthusiastic "yes" to the principles you've outlined:

- Increase the ability of residents and communities to grow, produce, and harvest their own food
- Ensure access to Good Food in public spaces, while also supporting local producers
- Support comprehensive food literacy programs and reduce opportunities for negative impacts on food literacy
- Reduce and divert food waste while increasing composting and recycling
- Strengthen land use policies and protect farmland
- Enhance City supports for sustainable livelihoods

I started my career working in College Ward, at Ottawa Public Health's Centrepointe offices. It's there where I had the opportunity to better understand how closely Ottawa's food system is tied to social determinants of health. In my other past roles at City Hall, I gained an appreciation for how land-use policies and environmental programs make all the difference in creating communities where everyone can reach their potential.

If elected as City Councillor for College Ward, I am committed to keeping lines of communication open with groups such as yours, so we can work together towards our shared goals.

If you or your team have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. You can email me at ryan@kennery.ca or call me at 613-455-0183.

Thank you again for the opportunity to respond.

Sincerely,

Ryan Kennery

Candidate, Ward 8 (College)