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Date: December 3, 2019 at 10:49:57 PM EST

To: lan.Abreu@newbedford-ma.gov
Subject: Residency Requirement

Dear Councillor,

As a home owner, tax payer, and business owner in the city of New Bedford, I am writing to exclaim my opposition to the council's current motion to do away with the residency requirement.

Please realize that (I believe) if New Bedford is GOOD ENOUGH to work in, it should be GOOD ENOUGH to live in ... and if there are some members who works for the city that don't agree - then they should work more passionately to make New Bedford the kind of city they want to live in!

I whole heartedly disagree with this motion and hope that you will vote against it when it comes up in the ordinance committee.

Furthermore, I would love to see a residency recommendation / requirement for the waivers that have already been granted. How are these highly paid candidates not required to eventually move to our city and make it their own? Wouldn't that be better optics for any department head or high up official?

Please let this email serve as my urge to you to not vote for this and to keep the residency requirement in place and perhaps look a little deeper into how to use this as a tool to make our city greater than it already is.

Thank you for your time and your service.

Warm regards,

Brandon Roderick New Bedford, MA 02740

IN CITY COUNCIL, February 13, 2020

Referred to the Special Committee on Waivers of Residency. Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk

a true copy attest:

City Clerk