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Subject line: Letter in Support of the Incorporation of a Portion of the Town of Washington as the Village of Washington

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Form Letter for written testimony

[Date]

Re: Incorporation of a Portion of the Town of Washington as the Village of Washington, Eau Claire Circuit Court Case #2024-CV-000498

Incorporation Review Board Members,

Introduction

- *Years in the Town*
- *Would be a resident in the proposed Village or proposed Town*
- *Provide a credibility anchor (e.g., parent, business owner, farmer, longtime resident)*

Personal stake & value statement

- *Why incorporation matters to you specifically*
- *How the Town's identity, needs, or future stability affects you*

Tie your statement to at least one of the statutory criteria

- *Homogeneity & Sense of Community*
 - *Social cohesion (how is this achieved for you and your family – school? Community activities? Neighborhood-level engagement?)*
 - *Identity of Village/Incorporated Area (how proposed boundaries conform to an idea of a future Village of Washington)*
 - *Identity of the core of the future Village*
 - *Ease of getting to “core” relative to other nearby shopping areas*
- *Level of Services*
- *Ability to Support Village Governance*
- *How becoming a Village will make the entire metro area stronger*

Concrete example or story

- *A small but vivid anecdote that shows the Town's need for local control and ability to self-govern.*

Closing

- *Direct ask: “I urge approval of the Town of Washington’s petition to incorporate as a village.”*
- *Reaffirm the benefit to the broader community.*

[Signature]

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