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Invitation to coffee

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To: Chief.Reese@portlandoregon.gov

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Dear Chief Reese:

We have not had the opportunity to meet and so I would like to extend an invitation to coffee sometime in the near future that is convenient with your schedule.

I recognize that in this difficult politically charged environment between those you have labeled as "critics" of the bureau and your staff that such a request might seem odd. However, while I have concerns about the bureau I also have deep respect for the men and women who serve this city.

At the same time, I also believe you to be an honorable person in a difficult public position. I'm aware of your service on the board of directors of Transition Projects - an agency that I once served on the staff of - and your membership with First Christian Church. As you know, First Christian Church is part of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) denomination. The United Church of Christ and the DOC share a unique relationship called "full communion partnership." That partnership is just one stop shy of a merger between our denominations.

These different ties that we share also led me to believe what we share many of the same values. I also know that we both love Portland.

I will be leaving shortly for a stay at Chicago Theological Seminary and will return to Portland on Monday, January 17th and would be available to have coffee with you after that. Please either e-mail me at rev@chuckcurrie.com or call 503-208-6521 to make arrangements if you are amenable to meeting.

Best New Year wishes,

The Rev. Chuck Currie

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