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Council Members,

At the J & A meeting tonight there are two resolutions being voted upon regarding filling the vacancy for Council Member for the 5th Aldermanic District. 24-0684 created on 05/14/2024 sponsored by Council President Kahlow is requesting that a special election be held on April 1, 2025 to fill the vacancy. Resolution 24-0890 created on 06/20/2024 by Mayor Reynolds is requesting that the Council appoint a replacement. Each one of you were elected by the constituents of your District. District 5 deserves the same democratic process as the rest of the City residents. Voting for the individuals that are to represent us at any level of government is one of our basic rights. For Mayor Reynolds to submit his resolution well after President Kahlow submitted hers has the appearance that he is just attempting to influence the outcome of Council decisions.

Several months ago you voted down the resolution that would have delayed the super majority voting policy to January 1, 2025 mostly because of the argument that it was undemocratic to not allow the majority to decide the outcome of policy decisions. If you truly believe that then you need to follow the same principle and allow the residents of the 5th Aldermanic District to vote for their own representative and not accept who they are told will represent them.

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