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From: Family Johnson [mailto:jfam5130@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 08, 2016 11:58 AM
To: Council <Council@duluthmn.gov>
Subject: PolyMet Evidentiary Hearing Resolution

Dear Councilors,

As a long time Duluth resident, I'm passionate about our community, preserving our green space and ensuring the beauty of Lake Superior is maintained for generations.

I am aware of a small group of citizens, claiming to speak for the majority of our citizenry, who are asking the Duluth City Council to adopt a resolution requesting the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to hold an evidentiary hearing before deciding on PolyMet's application for a permit to mine.

I urge you to vote against this resolution and protect the established processes already in place.

At this point in this already long process, to interject an evidentiary hearing is a redundancy. there are already measures in place to ensure that PolyMet can meet the standards set in place by our government: strong environmental review, an elaborate permitting process and established regulatory systems that include the opportunity for public review and input,

We should rely on the established scientific and objective processes not add unnecessary steps with the intent to delay or stall the project.

I urge you to carefully consider a vote in opposition to Resolution 681.

Thank you,

Peggy Johnson