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West Carleton - March Community Builder Stephanie Maghnam is running for City Council

Ottawa (ON) — Stephanie Maghnam, a passionate and devoted community builder and volunteer, a long-time advocate for Kanata-Carleton residents announced her decision to run for the West Carleton - March City of Ottawa Council seat.

“My family and I consider ourselves fortunate to be able to raise our two children in a community as vibrant as West Carleton - March. The old village charm of farms, parks, and green spaces and neighbour helping neighbour - enables our family to thrive, be active, and connected with our neighbours.”

“The opportunity to serve this community is something that I am very passionate about. I am dedicated to putting in the hard work necessary to ensure our community continues to thrive, and our resident’s issues are heard and well represented.”

Stephanie’s tireless efforts have made a considerable impact on the region. This dedication to the issues that affect the West Carleton - March community makes her the ideal councillor for the community.

Long-time West Carleton resident and volunteer Gloria Wilson is a longtime supporter of Stephanie’s work and her desire to run for Council has been met with much enthusiasm.

“I am delighted to support Stephanie Maghnam as the next councillor for West Carleton”, says Wilson. “She is a strong advocate and a tremendous leader for our community. From her volunteer efforts during the region’s 2017 floods to helping serve hot meals to community members in need - She is a warm, passionate person that cares deeply about our community. I fully endorse Stephanie in becoming our next West Carleton-March Councillor.” - Gloria Wilson, Community advocate, resident - Constance Bay.

As a past Ontario Provincial Candidate for the riding of Kanata-Carleton, Stephanie has a deep understanding and is keenly attuned to the ward issues. She has supported various ministerial provincial portfolios, including Research, Innovation and Science, Natural Resources and Forestry, and Tourism, Culture, and Sport. She recognizes the vital importance of the growing agriculture sector in the ward and the need for more support in protecting our food supply.

“Stephanie is a community-minded leader with a unique ability in bringing people together. Her strong community involvement is for the benefit of the general public. I have had the privilege of knowing Stephanie and I am proud to endorse her to become the next councillor for West Carleton - March.” Steve Bunge, past Presidency of the Kinburn Community Association, Chairman of the West Carleton Arena Committee - Woodlawn.

Stephanie is a dedicated community volunteer, having been recognized as Citizen of the Year by the City of Ottawa for her work with seniors and gardens. Alongside her professional advocacy, she contributed to the successful installation of “Gale’s Garden” at the Ruddy Shenkman Hospice in Kanata and helped establish the Dunrobin Parkette as part of the Executive on the Dunrobin Women's Institute.

Her civic leadership in areas of addressing food insecurity has led to contributions at the Molly Wilson Community Gardens, Trailing Edge Community Gardens, and Herzberg Community Garden in providing access to fresh, healthy, and nutritious food. Stephanie has volunteered with the Kanata Food Cupboard unload the bus events/fundraisers and volunteered with the Stittsville Food Bank.

“Stephanie is a person of proper age in life with children and a family, with the right experience needed to serve and care for our community now and thru to the future. I am proud to fully support and endorse Stephanie Maghnam as our next West Carleton - March Councillor.” - Dr. Roland ‘Roly’ Armitage, Former Mayor of West Carleton Township, Veterinarian, War Veteran.

As the community rallies around Stephanie’s candidacy, her biggest supporters are her two children.

“My mom would be a great councillor because she really likes to help people and is a hard worker. It’s nice to have a mom that cares about other people and cares about animals.” - Melia Maghnam, age 12.

The Ottawa City election will take place on Monday, October 24th, 2022.