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News Release

AMM CONGRATULATES PREMIER-DESIGNATE WAB KINEW, PLEDGES COLLABORATION FOR A THRIVING MANITOBA

October 10, 2023 – Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) President Kam Blight met today with Premier-Designate Wab Kinew to extend congratulations on behalf of the AMM and its member municipalities following the Manitoba NDP's electoral victory last week. The productive meeting underscored the significance of the provincial-municipal relationship and reaffirmed a shared commitment to foster the growth and prosperity of Manitoba.

President Blight took this opportunity to highlight the AMM's <u>Let's Grow Manitoba Together</u> campaign, which is centered around four critical pillars:

- 1. **Funding Fairness and Predictability**: Ensuring that municipalities receive fair and predictable funding is essential to maintaining and enhancing the quality of services provided to Manitobans. AMM looks forward to collaborating with Premier-Designate Kinew's government to achieve these goals.
- 2. **Invest in Infrastructure**: Investing in the infrastructure of our communities is vital to promote economic growth and improve the quality of life for all Manitobans. Both AMM and Premier-Designate Kinew expressed a strong commitment to work together on this front.
- 3. **Invest in People**: Supporting the people of Manitoba is paramount. By investing in education, healthcare, and other essential services, we can create a brighter future for our province. The AMM and the incoming provincial government share a common vision in this regard.
- 4. **Public Safety**: The safety and well-being of Manitobans are of utmost importance. The AMM will continue its dedication to working collaboratively with Premier-Designate Kinew and his administration to enhance public safety across our municipalities.

The AMM eagerly anticipates welcoming Premier-Designate Wab Kinew and the incoming provincial Cabinet and Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) to its upcoming Fall Convention in Brandon. The convention, scheduled for November 28-30, will provide an invaluable platform for further discussions and collaboration to address the priorities and needs of municipalities.

In closing, President Kam Blight stated, "Today's meeting was a positive step towards strengthening the partnership between our municipalities and the provincial government. We look forward to working together to grow Manitoba."

About the AMM

The Association of Manitoba Municipalities is comprised of the mayors, reeves, and councillors that represent all of Manitoba's 137 municipalities. Our mission is to identify and address the needs and concerns of our members to achieve strong and effective municipal government – the order of government closest to the people.
