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From: Rhiannon Brenna <rhiannon1225@yahoo.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2020 4:29 PM  
To: Mayor <Mayor@WATERLOO-IA.ORG>  
Subject: Griffin Symbol

Dear Mayor of Waterloo:

I am writing you today to plea with you to not remove the Griffin from the patch, uniform and cars of the Waterloo Police Department. As we all know, this is a time of change and growth for so many things in this world. It is definitely a time when certain things need to change to bring unity and peace among us.

That being said, taking something that gives the officers of the Waterloo Police Department, past and present, pride is an unnecessary change. The symbol of the Griffin is not a symbol of power, hate or discrimination. It is a symbol of vigilance and strength. Something that every person that puts on that uniform needs as an officer of the Waterloo Police Department. With everything that is against police officers at this moment in time can we PLEASE just stand with them on this one thing that they are asking to keep? Even the Anti-Defamation League has made it clear that there are no ties between the Griffin and any Hate Groups.

So I ask you to please, please put yourself in the shoes of these officer and listen to their plea. I stand with the WPPA, the Waterloo Police Department and the Griffin. I hope you will too.

Sincerely,  
Rhiannon B.

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