## Subject: Outlook thank you letter

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Just in case you do not receive or have not seen it, here is my letter which was published in the Outlook.

## The Editor:

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all District residents who voted for me in th Nov. 16 election. A special thanks to those who gave of their valuable time putting up signs and/or so generously donated their hard earned dollars. My standing improved dramatically from the previous election when the Concerned Citizens Association (CCA), a civic party representing a special interest group, conducted a campaign of misinformation and deceit. I am humbled by the confidence the public has put in me. I will to the best of my ability make good on the 12 point program I presented during the campaign.

I also want to express my sincere appreciation to David Sadler and Allan Orr for putting their names forward as candidates. The three of us joined together to reduce the cost of the campaign and also because we thought it imperative that the facts, especially the fiscal facts, be put before the public. Despite what appeared to be widespread inconsistency in the delivery of our pamphlet by Canada Post, we managed to get the message out. The real issues were debated at the Mayorality level which would not have been the case had it not been for David Sadler. He deserves the gratitude of the community.

Although some residents may lament the establishment of civic parties in their municipality, they are here and I predict are here to stay. From now on single candidates will have little chance to get elected unless they are a part of a civic party. For better or for worse, the real world of politics has caught up with the District of North Vancouver. In the meantime, I face the same situation as I did during the CCA era. Along with Councillor Muri, I am the only member not endorsed by the Citizens for Responsible Government now in control of Council. Whether this Council will be different from the last one remains to be seen. In any case, I will do the same as I have always done. I will strive for excellence in the public's cause knowing that this is the only tool to give my life meaning.

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