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I AM WRITING IN SUPPORT OF THE COUNCIL'S
DECISION TO ASSIST THE CATHEDRAL FINANCES
WITH AN ANNUAL GRANT.

AS A LAYMAN MEMBER OF THE CATHEDRAL CHAPTER
FOR 24 YEARS I WAS CLOSELY INVOLVED WITH
THE ANNUAL BATTLE TO COPE WITH THE FINANCIAL
NEEDS TO MAINTAIN THE CATHEDRAL FABRIC AND
OPERATIONS — ESPECIALLY IN THE ABSENCE OF
SUBSTANTIAL ENDOWMENT FUNDING.

I HAVE BEEN A CH'CH RESIDENT FOR ONLY
36 YEARS BUT VERY EARLY ON I DEVELOPED
A PROFOUND RESPECT AND ADMIRATION FOR

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THOSE CANTERBURY PIONEERS WHO TACKLED AND LEFT US THREE SUCH IMAGINATIVE MEMORIALS AS THE CATHEDRAL, THE LYITELTON RAIL TUNNEL AND HAGLEY PARK - THUS COVERING OUR SPIRITUAL, COMMERCIAL AND SOCIAL ASPIRATIONS. AND THIS WHEN THE POPULATION WAS ONLY ABOUT 10,000!

UNDERSTANDABLY THEN I BELIEVE IT IS OUR GENERATION'S RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN THESE ENTERPRISES FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS:- CH'CH'S SUPPORTIVE PROTECTION OF HAGLEY PARK IS ALREADY FIRMLY ESTABLISHED, THE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO THE CATHEDRAL'S NEED FOR EARTHQUAKE PROTECTION WAS TIMELY, AND MUCH APPRECIATED, AND I GUESS THE TUNNEL IS ADEQUATELY MAINTAINED BY ITS ADMINISTRATORS

BUT THE CATHEDRAL URGENTLY NEEDS OTHER MAINTENANCE PLANNING FOR UPDATED LIGHTING, ROOF REPAIRS AND DEBT SERVICING, IF IT IS TO CONTINUE ITS CENTRAL ROLE FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY AND I AM SURE THE DEAN'S SUBMISSION WILL COVER THESE AREAS IN SOME DETAIL.

COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WILL GREATLY ENCOURAGE THE CHAPTER IN ITS PLANNING AND THE INDICATION OF COUNCIL SUPPORT WILL BE A GREAT "LIFT" TO ALL CONCERNED.

