



Office of the City Manager

March 24, 2025

To: [eogdoge@laspbs.state.fl.us](mailto:eogdoge@laspbs.state.fl.us)

Subject: Response to DOGE Team Inquiry

Dear Executive Office of the Governor DOGE Team,

This correspondence serves as North Port's response to the financial review letter received from your office. After careful evaluation, we confirm that our municipality has not encountered any conditions of financial emergency or distress, as outlined in the letter, since State Fiscal Year 2018-19.

Over the past few years, North Port has consistently been at the top of several lists of the fastest-growing cities in the United States. In February 2025, we were named One of America's Most Changed Cities, based on our strong economic and population growth over the past five years.

Despite this rapid growth and the challenges it presents, the City has been able to maintain the same property tax millage rate for five years in a row. We have maintained an excellent credit rating thanks to low debt and responsible fiscal stewardship while managing public funds.

If additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "A. Jerome Fletcher II". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

A. Jerome Fletcher II, MPA, ICMA-CM

City Manager

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