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Subject: Request For Whole Foods Store

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Dear Ames City Council,

I hope this message finds you well. My name is Tuyishime Florance and I am a current graduate student at Iowa State University. I am writing to express a growing need within our community for more options in organic and healthier grocery shopping.

Currently, our city has only one Whole Foods Market and one Trader Joe's, both located in West Des Moines. With the rapid population growth in Iowa, it is evident that our community deserves more than just these single locations. Many residents from various cities and towns have to travel long distances to access organic and wholesome food items, which is both time-consuming and inconvenient.

Introducing additional Whole Foods and Trader Joe's locations in our city would not only provide more convenient access to organic and healthier food options but also create new job opportunities for our residents. These stores are known for their high-quality products and commitment to healthy living, which aligns perfectly with the growing demand for healthier lifestyle choices among our community members.

Moreover, the presence of these stores would contribute positively to our local economy, attracting shoppers from surrounding areas and supporting local suppliers who meet the high standards of these grocery chains.

I kindly request that the city council consider reaching out to Whole Foods Market and Trader Joe's to explore the possibility of opening new locations in our city. I believe this initiative would be a significant step towards enhancing the quality of life for our residents and supporting our city's growth.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your positive response and am willing to assist in any way possible to make this initiative a reality.

Warm regards.

Tuyishime Florance