

Friday, October 17

The last 2 weeks have been the most intense.

The lawn signs went up and I have to say it was an incredibly emotional site. I drove down Lakeshore Drive when my eye caught the first glimpse of yellow. Then another, and another, and another. I drove to the headquarters, and asked the team how many signs went up. They said 600 went up on people's lawns that day. I was astonished. About 100 more went up each day after that, until all 1,250 signs we ordered were gone. We immediately placed a repeat order. That show of support was humbling. Remember, we *only* place lawn signs on private property, where someone has requested a sign. There are no signs on any public lands, parks, streets, or anywhere else.

We opened our headquarters on Fisher Street, across from the old North Bay Hydro building. About 200 people showed up for the official opening. Father Angelo Oliverio said a prayer, and blessed the Headquarters. I spoke for about 15 minutes and detailed more of the 2020 Vision. The room roared at every new concept, which made me feel great, and proved to me that these concepts are what's needed in North Bay.

Finally, I held a Media Conference to present the 2020 Vision booklet. It was well-received, and the coverage it generated was great. I took the 12-page booklet around to as many of my co-contributors as I could get to in one day. They were very excited by the Plan and what it meant to North Bay. I am proud of the fact that I am the first candidate to ever have produced such a document. It's a signal to the community that there are different ways to move forward, and that I am the leader to make it happen.

Thanks again to all of you for your continued support,

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