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**MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL WARD 1 CANDIDATE DORON CLARK**  
**ANNOUNCES 2008 FUNDRAISING TOTAL**  
*Total Beats Goal by Over 30 percent*

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (January 27, 2009) – Neighborhood leader and businessperson Doron Clark, who recently announced his candidacy for Ward 1 of the Minneapolis City Council, today announced that his fundraising total for 2008 exceeded the campaign’s goal by 30 percent. More than 175 people contributed \$6625 to the campaign which set a goal of \$5000 and 140 donors.

“I’m humbled by the outpouring of support,” said Clark as he made the announcement to loyal volunteers and supporters. “We’ve built a solid team of volunteers who have driven our fundraising efforts and have allowed me to focus on speaking with neighbors and addressing the issues affecting them.”

Clark’s treasurer, Dean DeGroot, believes Doron’s fundraising success has come largely from his online interaction with neighbors. “I’m impressed with Doron’s ability to connect with constituents on levels that are comfortable for them – whether it be on Facebook, email or greeting his supporters face-to-face at neighborhood meetings and events,” said DeGroot who has worked on a number of political campaigns.

Clark’s candidacy focuses on creating strong neighborhoods, quality jobs and responsive leadership.

**BACKGROUND**

Doron Clark is the president of Windom Park Citizens in Action and is employed as a job skills developer at Target Corporation. Clark has served as a delegate to the past two DFL State Conventions. An experienced organizer, Clark led the Stinson Parkway Task Force that preserved Stinson Parkway, played a key role electing Jill Davis to the Minneapolis School Board, is part of Neighbors for NRP, and chairs the Windom Park Community Carnival.

He has also been recognized for his volunteer work at Hamline University as a director for several planning/development committees and as a seven-year Big Brother and director for the programming committee for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Twin Cities. An active member of his church, Northeast’s Grace United Methodist Church, he most recently led a service trip to the Mississippi Coast to assist in Hurricane Katrina relief.

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