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SUBJECT: Flag Design Finalists Announced, Public Asked to Weigh In

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[Duluth, MN] The City of Duluth and the volunteer Flag Committee are excited to announce the finalists for the Flag Project. The nine finalists were selected from a total of 195 entries, which had previously been narrowed down to 41. Designs were submitted by 98 artists from ten states, and three countries. The ages of those that submitted entries were between the ages of five and 70.

Finalists were selected by the volunteer Flag Committee with consideration of input received from the flag survey, flag design principles, artist's description or meaning, and overall sense that the flag represents Duluth. The Flag Committee was appointed to help choose the next Duluth flag. The Committee is made up of community members that represent diverse fields and backgrounds.

"It is very exciting to have narrowed the field to nine finalists for Duluth's next flag," said Adam Fulton, Deputy Director of Planning and Economic Development. "We were pleased with the number of entries that we received, and look forward to the public voting because ultimately, a city flag can become a unifying symbol and rallying point for a community."

The public is being asked to vote for their favorite flag design from now until June 21st. In-person voting stations are available at all of the Duluth Public Libraries or online at <http://bit.ly/2WTbCXN>

The new City flag will be introduced in July.

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