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## Mayor Boudreau's Comments on Wilbur, et al. vs. The City of Mount Vernon

MOUNT VERNON - The City of Mount Vernon's public defense system is effective and efficient. After listening to Court proceedings today, it is my opinion that the complainants' concerns are unfounded. If this case was truly about the integrity of our public defense system, we wouldn't be in court today.

We have a state of the art system that is a model for other jurisdictions and it is ahead of the Washington State Supreme Court rulings and standards. This bench trial is about attorney fees. The City of Mount Vernon is committed to kind and dignified service in all aspects of municipal government, from Parks programs to indigent defense. We are looking forward to prevailing and upholding the integrity of our City.

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