Hello, my name is John Patterson and I'm running in the Special Election for the position of Alderman.

Just a few things about me: I grew up in Hillcrest Village starting in 1961 when my father, Elmer Patterson and two landowners decided they wanted to make a dream come true. The dream was to build a neighborhood that would be in a country setting for new families coming to the area from out of state. That dream was accomplished when the first house was built out here on Hillcrest Drive and has continued throughout the decades.

Of course, times have changed as time has passed, and we are being surrounded by developments and growth at an exponential rate. That is why I've decided to run for the position as Alderman on Hillcrest City Council. I am focused on our future.

My qualifications for running for Alderman is the following: Grew up in a family-owned business, Patco Lumber/Construction, which increased my knowledge greatly. As well as personal experience, my work history includes surveying construction sites for petrochemical plants, building two homes and remodeling two other homes. Also working with the public and businesses in the natural gas business for 27 years with CenterPoint Energy Gas.

I previously worked for Hillcrest Village for three years and have many hours of volunteer time out here in the village. My main goal out here is to work for everyone's future families and for Hillcrest to remain a city in which everyone would want to live.

The projects I will focus on are our aging sewer and water lines; developing our park for a more family friendly atmosphere, which would include playground equipment; address and complete the drainage concerns of our citizens; and address the continuous patrolling by our police and any other concerns that need to be addressed.

I care deeply about our community, and as I run for Alderman of Hillcrest City Council, I would be grateful for your support.