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Dear Neighborhood Association Presidents:

We appreciate the conversation that took place during our meeting on May 10, 2012. This letter serves as a summary of our conversation and the commitment made to move forward on building a more productive relationship between UWM, neighborhood association leadership, and the City of Milwaukee.

UWM and the East Side neighborhood associations recognize the importance of collaboration when it comes to addressing mutual concerns. We also recognize there are many stakeholders involved with overall quality of life issues here on the east side of Milwaukee. These stakeholders include neighborhood and UWM leadership, Milwaukee Police Department, Department of Neighborhood Services, Department of Public Works, Milwaukee Fire Department, Milwaukee City Attorney, 3<sup>rd</sup> District alderman, area landlords, business owners, UWM students and residents of student age who may not be UWM students.

Working on my behalf, members of my leadership team will direct our efforts to work with neighborhood association leadership and city of Milwaukee officials to develop a framework and process tasked with addressing quality of life concerns affecting the East Side. These should include sound problem identification, creative development of possible solutions, measurable results and ongoing monitoring. A working group will be fully formed with all necessary descriptions completed by July 1, 2012. Key components of this working group will be:

- **Formal communication:** Community stakeholders must communicate with an effective structure. Desired meetings will be scheduled at times which are conducive to the work schedules of the volunteer based organizations.
- **Methodology:** A proven methodology should be used to identify problems, develop solutions, measure results and evaluate efforts to reach the ultimate goal set forth by the group members.

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- **Accountability:** Stakeholders need to establish and coordinate the processes to share information and program progress with all residents and interested parties of the East Side.
- **Best Practices:** The resources and expertise of UWM and the City of Milwaukee should be used to identify, recommend, and assess approaches to reach desired outcomes.

UWM and the neighborhood leadership desire a positive and productive working relationship with all stakeholders in this effort. Solving the quality of life concerns on the East Side is important to the community's long-term stability. The East Side is a diverse community, comprised of homeowners, renters, students, working professionals, retirees, and families. We look forward to future discussions, using our collective resources and energy to produce positive outcomes for the whole community.

Sincerely,



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