



March 17, 2025

City of Milwaukee ZND Committee
200 E. Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Subject: Letter of support for DCD to explore the acquisition of the 30th Street Corridor rail line and right-of-way

Dear Alderpersons Bauman, Perez, Jackson, Stamper, and Zamarripa,

On behalf of the 30th Street Industrial Corridor Corp, we are pleased to express our strong support for File #241777: Substitute resolution directing the Department of City Development to explore the City of Milwaukee's acquisition of the 30th Street Corridor rail line and right-of-way. This move aligns with our mission to promote an economic resurgence for businesses and residents in the 30th Street Corridor.

The 30th Street Corridor was once the home of one of the most prodigious manufacturing corridors in America. It is home to several iconic Milwaukee neighborhoods including Sherman Park, Washington Park, Amani and Garden Homes. This area of the city in desperate need of investment, and we believe that building a first class linear park on the 30th Street rail line will be a catalyst for investment in the area. It will also provide a safe space for recreation, improving the overall quality of life and health of Milwaukee citizens in the area, who do not currently have access to such an amenity.

The acquisition of the rail line is a critical first step in advancing this vision. We urge the Common Council to support this resolution. Thank you all for your service to our beautiful City.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Blue
Executive Director

30th Street Industrial Corridor Corp.