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Dear Mayor Barrett and José G. Pérez

I am writing to indicate my support for the current plan to move forward with The Milwaukee Streetcar project.

As a resident of Milwaukee now for 2 years, I look at my experience here in contrast to what is going on in my hometown of Atlanta, GA. In the past two weeks, Atlanta has brought its street car project to life and I hear that the reception is positive and it is opening new opportunities for development. I think the impact is evident in other cities as well such as Seattle and Minneapolis. If Milwaukee wants to attract young talent and be at the forefront of urban development I think this project is absolutely crucial.

The street car in its first stage has the potential to provide a “starter system” that can be expanded in the future and provide much needed connectivity between entertainment, employment, and neighborhoods. From a job creation standpoint also, a project like this will create hundreds of construction jobs, create numerous full time opportunities, and retain countless jobs.

In closing, please consider this letter as my personal support for the Milwaukee Street Car Project.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Monette

Cc: Council President Michael Murphy