

July 15, 2011

Alderman Joe Davis, Sr.
Chair of Community and
Economic Development Committee
Milwaukee City Hall, Room 205
200 E. Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Alderman Davis,

As a City of Milwaukee resident, (10th District), I have often enjoyed visiting our historic City Hall, primarily because of the outstanding beauty of worldly craftsmanship that is evident throughout the building's structure. I have heard that there is consideration being given to opening some type of museum / library, featuring the making of City Hall. Our history is rich and highlighting just some part of it, recognizing labor and craftworker skills, building materials of a bygone era, and historical architectural design - just to name a few, would be warmly welcomed. This is an educational opportunity for everyone. I have a copy of the brochure "A Symbol to Honor Workers Who Built Milwaukee's Historic City Hall" and I am in complete agreement as stated in this brochure "robber barons and political bosses vied for space on the front page, and venality, not morality, seemed to govern both political and corporate life" "***a strong countercurrent of reform was never far beneath the surface***". This could be written today, and fast forwarding to 2011 from the late 1800's, a museum testifying to our rich history would lend voice to our long standing hard work ethic - a proud and noble inherited rite.

My letter is in support for this project and I hope that you are successful in bringing it to life.

Sincerely,

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cc: Alderman Michael Murphy, 10th District
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