

August 27, 2003

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: City of Milwaukee Bicycle Task Force

Dear Council Members:

The City of Milwaukee Common Council adopted Resolution File Number 930071 on May 25, 1993 which created the City of Milwaukee Bicycle Task Force. The Bicycle Task Force is composed of 8 at-large citizen members, one Department of Public Works representative, one Department of City Development representative and one Safety Commission representative. The by-laws of the Bicycle Task Force indicate that the purpose of the task force is as follows:

The Task Force is charged with recommending to policy makers ways to make Milwaukee a more bicycle-friendly community by serving as the formal means through which active citizen participation is provided to advise and support the development and implementation of an integrated bicycle route system for commuter and recreational use throughout the City of Milwaukee.

While bicycle issues remain at the forefront of the task force, it is desirable to expand the scope to include pedestrian issues. With that in mind, the task force would like to be looked upon as an advocacy group for non-motorized modes of transportation, which includes walking. We, therefore have prepared and recommend adoption of the attached resolution which renames the task force to the City of Milwaukee Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force, and authorizes the task force to amend their by-laws to include pedestrian issues.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment

c: Mr. Barry Zalben