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PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

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..Sponsor

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..Title

Resolution urging the United States government to permit Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to purchase natural, freshly prepared fruit and vegetable juices.

..Analysis

This resolution directs the Department of Administration – Intergovernmental Relations Division to lobby the United States Department of Agriculture to permit Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients to purchase natural, freshly prepared fruit and vegetable juices.

..Body

Whereas, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients are permitted to purchase soft drinks; and

Whereas, Scientific consensus is that soft drinks have more detrimental health effects than natural fruit and vegetable juice; and

Whereas, Juice bars are businesses that serve natural fruit and vegetable juices freshly prepared on site; and

Whereas, Juice bars are opening in areas of the City of Milwaukee where many residents are Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients; and

Whereas, Natural fruit and vegetable juices are a healthful option for City residents and should be affordable for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Department of Administration – Intergovernmental Relations Division is directed to lobby the United States Department of Agriculture to permit Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients to purchase natural fruit and vegetable juices freshly prepared on site; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Department of Administration – Intergovernmental Relations Division is directed to urge the United States Department of Agriculture to remove obstacles preventing healthy options, such as juice bars, from being available to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients in all areas, including food deserts.

..Requestor

..Drafter

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