



February 7, 2020

The Honorable Mayor Tom Barrett 200 E. Wells Street #201 Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Potential Installation of Solar Panels/1600 College Ave. Common Council File # 191604

Dear Mayor Barrett,

The 128th Community Council is an active volunteer organization with 70+ members that serve to Educate, Advocate, and Promote the benefits of the 128th Air Refueling Wing (WING) as part of the fabric of the community. The WING provides 900 jobs in Milwaukee and competes against other communities in the Midwest to retain a piece of the national security mission as that mission constantly evolves which makes community support critical.

Recently we have become aware of a plan that would bring a solar power grid that would be located very close to the Base property.

Colonel James Locke shared with us the letter he sent to you last month whereby he endorses the plan and has pointed out many benefits that would improve the ability to respond to a "call to action" if the standard power grid was to be interrupted.

Our Council whole heartedly supports this potential amenity that not only is good for our environment but will serve the 128th ARW's mission.

Sincerely,

Ron Spear

Chairman

128TH Community Council

cc: Milwaukee Common Council

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