To: The Honorable, Members of the Milwaukee Common Council

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From: Cesar Gonzalez Jr.

I believe that my first achievement in life was graduating from Nativity Jesuit Middle School. That middle school taught me many things starting from my education to serving others and being a leader. Of all the things I learned from that middle school, I think the most important is being a servant leader meaning to put others ahead of oneself even when in charge. I believe that they did a good job of creating a confident spoken servant leader that is anxiously waiting for the opportunity to help others.

Three years later, I have indeed been helping others on a small scale usually. Some of those small scale changes I've done in Milwaukee are mostly in helping younger kids. I have lead small retreats for inner city boys from private schools in Casa Romero, which is located in the South Side. This experience taught me more on how to work in a team, collaborating with one another to form activities and to learn from one another. Recently, I've been volunteering at a day camp for mostly south side kids mentoring them in Math and Reading, and through sports. Working with a variety of kids from different backgrounds, yet form the same neighborhood, has opened my eyes to see the diversity of my district. I can bring to the Milwaukee Youth Council what I've learned from these kids, soon to be high school students. With this opportunity, I can be going a great deed for my city which is my ultimate goal in life, by changing Milwaukee in one way or another but for the better.