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To the Honorable  
Common Council of the  
City of Milwaukee  
Room 205 – City Hall

Re: Amendment to ch. 36, Milwaukee City Charter

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed is a draft of an amendment to Chapter 36 of the Milwaukee City Charter.

The Pension Protection Act of 2006 permits qualified government plans, such as the Employees' Retirement System, to allow retired public safety officers to direct their retirement or disability plan to deduct up to \$3,000 annually from benefits distributions to pay the premiums for qualified accident, health or long-term care insurance on a pretax basis.

This charter ordinance amendment allows retired public safety officers who were members of the ERS to take advantage of this change in the tax and pension laws and arrangement to have the ERS pay qualified insurance premiums on a pretax basis.

Very truly yours,

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