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ROBERT J. BAUMAN

ALDERMAN, 4TH DISTRICT

April 12, 2010

Honorable Common Council
City of Milwaukee

At today's meeting of the Special Joint Committee on the Redevelopment of Abandoned and Foreclosed Homes, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend that the Common Council support adoption of file 091517, a substitute resolution related to procedures for initiating in rem procedures.

This Committee has been meeting for over a year to address problems relating to foreclosed homes and feels that this resolution will be a valuable tool to allow the city to foreclose on tax-delinquent properties in a quicker fashion. With the ability to foreclose sooner, the city hopes to foreclose on properties that are in better shape and have a higher value, while at the same time reducing the blighting impact on the surrounding neighborhood.

I ask that all Council members support adoption of file 091517, which will be taken out of the Judiciary and Legislation Committee meeting for consideration at tomorrow's Council meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert J. Bauman', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ald. Robert Bauman, Chair
Special Joint Committee on the Redevelopment
of Abandoned and Foreclosed Homes