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Fire Department

June 28, 2018

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Aldерwoman Milele A. Coggs
Finance Committee Chair
6th Aldermanic District
200 E. Wells St., Room 205
Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Incorporating *IGNITE THE SPIRIT – MILWAUKEE* into the 2019 CGC

Dear Aldерwoman Coggs:

The Milwaukee Fire Department would like to introduce Ignite the Spirit – Milwaukee, legally and financially recognized as a non-profit organization. As Chair of the sub-committee which authorizes additions to the City of Milwaukee's Combined Giving Campaign, we are asking for your assistance in adding this organization to the 2019 campaign roster of non-profit organizations. I share below some additional details about this honorable organization.

Ignite the Spirit - Milwaukee is a non-profit, tax exempt 501(c)3 organization, whose purpose is to proactively raise funds for Milwaukee's firefighters and their families in times of need, providing emotional and monetary support to those who have had an unfortunate hardship. In 2017, multiple members of the Milwaukee Fire Department were in need of help that could not formally be given by anyone other than their fellow firefighters. Ignite the Spirit aims to make sure that none of our firefighters are left to battle life's unjust hardships alone.

One-hundred percent of funds raised go to help Milwaukee firefighters and their families. All members of Ignite the Spirit – Milwaukee are volunteers and are not compensated for their time and efforts.

Enclosed are the organization's tax exempt documents. I am providing this letter and its attachments to The United Way of Greater Milwaukee, as well as the City Clerk's office. Thank you Aldерwoman Coggs for your sub-committee's time and consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via email or phone.

Sincerely,


MARK ROHLFING
Chief

MR/AH/cf
Enclosures

cc: Jim Owczarski – City Clerk
Melissa Feldmeyer – United Way
Yvette Rowe - MFD



INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date:

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IGNITE THE SPIRIT- MILWAUKEE
CORPORATION
S74W20150 FIELD DR
MUSKEGO, WI 53150-8557

Employer Identification Number:
82-4847818
DLN:
26053480003978
Contact Person:
CUSTOMER SERVICE ID# 31954
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990/990-EZ/990-N Required:
Yes
Effective Date of Exemption:
February 13, 2018
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

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This is your Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Certificate of Exempt Status (CES). Purchases made by your organization or entity are taxable unless you provide a properly completed Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate (Form S-211), listing the CES number shown below, to your supplier(s).

If your organization makes sales, they may be subject to sales tax collection and you may be required to obtain a Seller's Permit. Information regarding registration requirements can be found in our Publication 206, Sales Tax Exemption for Nonprofit Organizations.

Forms and Publications can be obtained through our website at revenue.wi.gov or through our forms ordering line at (608) 266-1961. Many questions can be answered by reviewing the FAQ pages on our website. You may also contact us by telephone at (608) 266-2776 or by email at DORBusinessTax@revenue.wi.gov.



**WISCONSIN SALES AND USE TAX
 CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPT STATUS (CES)**
 (Governmental, Religious, Charitable, Scientific or Educational Organization)

Sales to this organization or entity are exempt from Wisconsin sales and use tax under sec. 77.54(9a) and 77.55(1), Wis. Stats.

This certificate is valid unless cancelled by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

CES NUMBER	068338
DATE ISSUED	5/2/2018

IMPORTANT:

Purchases made by your organization are taxable unless you furnish your supplier with the CES number shown above. Sales by your organization may be subject to tax. If your organization makes taxable sales, it may be required to obtain a seller's permit and remit sales tax to the Department of Revenue.

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Questions: Contact the Department of Revenue by telephone at (608) 266-2776, FAX (608) 264-6884, email DORBusinessTax@revenue.wi.gov, or at our website revenue.wi.gov

FINGER, CHERYL

From: FINGER, CHERYL
Sent: Thursday, June 28, 2018 1:53 PM
To: Coggs, Milele; Owczarski, Jim
Cc: Rowe, Yvette; HARGARTEN, ANDREW; Melissa Feldmeyer - United Way
Subject: MFD Seeking to incorporate Ignite the Spirit - Milwaukee into the 2019 CGC
Attachments: Coggs - Ignite the Spirit - Milwaukee to 2019 CGC Roster with Attachments.pdf

Alderwoman Coggs:

Attached is a letter of request to incorporate *Ignite the Spirit-Milwaukee* into the 2019 Combined Giving Campaign. With the letter are the IRS and State tax exemption documents for the organization. Although we believe it is too late for form-printing-inclusion for this year's campaign, we would hope for approval for the 2019 CGC. The organization could be a write-in for this year's campaign. I will be sending the attached via hard copy to your office as well. Thank you for your consideration.

City Clerk Owczarski:

I have included you on this e-correspondence as it is my understanding you/your staff will draft the actual legislation piece to place before the Council. I thank you in advance for performing that service.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me or Chief Rohlfing (286-8947) directly.

Thank you both for your time.

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