



September 23, 2019

Dear Members of the Common Council,

The Milwaukee Area Labor Council is writing to express our support for the idea to put a non-binding referendum on the April 7, 2020 ballot in order to present to voters the question whether the City of Milwaukee should request that the Wisconsin Legislature pass a law establishing a non-partisan procedure for drawing legislative district maps.

When the Wisconsin Legislature established new legislative maps for the state after the 2010 United States Census, they took a visibly partisan approach to the process which, in our view, distorts representation within the Legislature. We look with hope to pending Court cases to help direct the drawing of new, fair maps. In the meantime, letting the people of speak on this issue is a good move for democracy.

Sincerely,

Pam Fendt, president
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