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To the Public Improvements Committee

Subject: Request to change street name  
South Barclay Street from  
West Florida Street south to its terminus

Dear Honorable Members:

This letter is in reply to a referral and report directive dated April 16, 2004 from the Public Improvements Committee regarding Common Council File Number 030703. This file proposes an ordinance be adopted changing the street name of South Barclay Street from West Florida Street south to its terminus to South Jake Marchese Way.

Chapter 113-3 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances defines the policy and procedure the City follows when a request is submitted to consider changing a street name. After reviewing this chapter, there are issues regarding the proposed name change that may be in conflict with the intent of this ordinance.

Chapter 113-3-7-a Street Names states "In order to facilitate the location of addresses, particularly for the purposes of mail delivery and the provision of emergency services, a street name shall bear the same name throughout its length where appropriate."

- Currently South Barclay Street extends from East Seeboth Street south to West Lapham Boulevard extended. Changing South Barclay Street from West Florida Street south to its terminus would not be consistent with this section of the ordinance.

The petition was included with the material sent to the Department of Public Works for review and comment so the following comments are offered regarding the petition:


Chapter 113-3-4-a-7 Procedure states that "In the case of a street renaming, a petition signed by more than 50 percent of the owners of property along the street, with a maximum of one signature per parcel."

- There are three properties along this segment of South Barclay Street. One of the properties is owned by the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee, the other is owned by the Soo Line Railroad Company. Two out of the three property owners must sign the petition. The petition as presently submitted is not consistent with the intent of the ordinance.

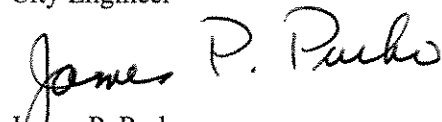
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The petition must be signed by two of the three property owners along this segment of South Barclay Street. The Department of Public Works can support this street name change provided that the provisions outlined in Chapter 113-3 are satisfied.

Very truly yours,



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