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**To:** "Bauman, Robert" <rjbauma@milwaukee.gov>  
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Alderman Bauman,

I am writing to you today to thank you for your ongoing efforts to preserve the historic character of the city that we live in and love, in particular the Milwaukee Arena and Milwaukee Auditorium.

I have had the unique opportunity to not only attend my very first concert at the arena and hundreds more after that but also spend the majority of my career working in these buildings, starting in the late 80's working for concert promoters who promoted the concerts taking place in the buildings. I started to work part time at MECCA in the box office in December of 1995, went full time in 2000 and remained there until 2022.

While I was employed there I was considered the "unofficial historian" of the complex and collected many historical photos and promotional items (at my own expense) which I used to present a display at the annual Doors Open event. Again, on my own time and at my own expense because I felt it was important. It was amazing to talk to the people who attended those events and had such fond memories of attending events there and/or graduating in one of the buildings and are so grateful that the buildings still exist to this day. My late father attended one of the first ones I did and marveled at how well kept the buildings were at that time as he hadn't been there since the Bucks played there.

These buildings are important, not just because of the amazing history but also because they are well maintained and very viable with many events to this day. I will also write to your colleagues on the Common Council about this but I wanted to let you know how much I appreciate you. Thank you.