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Mr. Ronald Leonhardt
City of Milwaukee, Office of the City Clerk
200 E. Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

Thank you for your recent letter and copy of the resolution by the City of Milwaukee Common Council's opposition to the closure of the Layton Avenue interchange with I-94. Secretary Busalacchi has asked me to respond to your letter on his behalf.

WisDOT is still early in the process of studying options on I-94 from the Mitchell Interchange area to the Illinois state line. Keeping the Layton Avenue interchange open or closing the interchange are two options that are still under consideration.

Community input is vital to this study. WisDOT continues to receive feedback from meetings, advisory committees, the Web site and contacts within the community. The third series of public information meetings are scheduled in May. The Milwaukee meeting is May 23 at the Best Western Airport Hotel, 5105 S. Howell Avenue from 4:00-8:00 PM. The study team hopes to receive additional comments from constituents that use Layton Avenue and will present one concept at the public hearing this fall.

Again, thank you for the City's resolution. If you have further questions or concerns, please contact Bob Gutierrez, SE Freeways Supervisor, 262-548-5622.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dewayne J. Johnson".

Dewayne J. Johnson, P.E.
Director, SE Region

cc: Frank J. Busalacchi
Bob Gutierrez
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