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Mark Nicolini, Director
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Dear Mr. Nicolini:

I respectfully request that the 2008 Positions Ordinance be amended to increase the position authority for one (1) Assistant City Attorney position by 40 percent from (.60 FTEs) to (1 FTE). Currently, there are four Assistant City Attorney positions budgeted at (.60 FTE), two of the positions are assigned exclusively to provide legal services to Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS). Both of the attorneys are very experienced and knowledgeable in this assignment and have been doing it for many years. One of the attorneys is retiring, and this will result in a critical void of experience in the coverage of this assignment. Because of the importance of the client and the depth of training involved, it will take some time and effort to bring a new attorney up to speed on this assignment. I feel it would be appropriate given the nature and increasing volume of work involved to change the position to a full-time position so that adequate coverage and attention can be given to this valuable client.

Even with this increased position authority, this change will result in a small budgetary savings this year.

Very truly yours,


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