

Fire and Police Commission

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To The Honorable Common Council Public Safety Committee

Re:

File 090092

Appointment of Sarah Morgan to the Fire and Police Commission

Dear Honorable Members:

We are pleased to recommend Sarah Morgan for appointment to the position of Fire and Police Commissioner. She is well qualified to represent the community in this important position.

Sarah Morgan is an Assistant Professor at the UW-Milwaukee College of Nursing. Her particular area of expertise is cultural diversity in health care. Her medical experience brings a needed area of interest to the Fire and Police Commission, since 80% of the Milwaukee Fire Department's work involves providing emergency medical services. She is active in the community and is a resident of the 10th District St. Joseph Hospital neighborhood.

She will attend the Citizen Police Academy and receive additional familiarization and training on an individual basis from the Fire Department, Police Department, and the City Attorney's Office.

Citizen oversight boards should provide representation through a diverse cross section of the community. Individuals appointed as board members should bring the general views and values of the community to the oversight function and insulate its duties from political influence to the best extent possible. Sarah Morgan brings such qualities to the Fire and Police Commission.

Sarah Morgan possesses a sincere concern for the well-being of our community and is dedicated to serving our city. I request your support in her appointment.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Tobin Executive Director

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