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Resolution opposing proposed state voter identification legislation.

..Analysis

This resolution reflects the City of Milwaukee Youth Council's opposition to Senate Bill 6, proposed state legislation requiring certain photo identification in order to vote.

..Body

Whereas, State Senate Bill 6 requires photo identification in order to vote at a polling place or obtain an absentee ballot; and

Whereas, The proposed legislation would discourage citizen participation in the election process and impede voting rights of citizens who lack proper identification cards; and

Whereas, State Senate Bill 6 accepts only a valid Wisconsin driver's license issued to the person by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT), a valid, current identification card issued to the person by a U.S. uniformed service, or a valid Wisconsin identification card issued to the person by DOT as valid identification for voting purposes; and

Whereas, The proposed legislation does not allow U.S. passports or student identification cards as valid forms of identification, making it more difficult for students to vote; and

Whereas, Voters who lack mobility would have difficulty obtaining state-issued identification; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Youth Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Youth Council opposes the Senate Bill 6; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Youth Council requests that if Senate Bill 6 does proceed, that the legislature include U.S. passports and student identification cards as valid forms of identification.

..Requestor

..Drafter

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