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Ald. Michael S. D'Amato, Chair
Zoning, Neighborhoods & Development Committee
City of Milwaukee
200 E. Wells Street, Room 201
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Alderman D'Amato:

This letter is written in support of the Potawatomi Bingo Cansino's proposed expansion in the Menomonee Valley.

The Forest County Potawatomi Community is a strong supporter of the city through its Foundation. As one of its beneficiaries, the YWCA of Greater Milwaukee has provided support to programs that help improve education for adults, provide support to homeless women and their children and other vital services to the people we serve.

The proposed expansion will enable the tribe to provide another 1,000 jobs for the community's unemployed, jobs that offer a family-sustaining wage and benefits. As an organization that promotes economic self-sufficiency, the YWCA applauds this initiative.

We hope that you will support the Potawatomi's zoning change request and in doing so, help improve the lives of others.

Sincerely,



Paula H. Pennebaker
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