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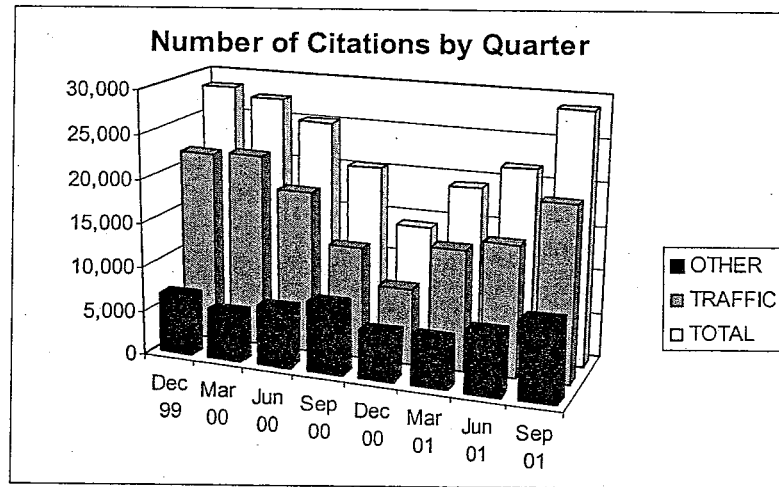
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15 January, 2002

To: Public Safety Committee of the Common Council
Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

From: Joan Dimow, Research Analyst

Enclosed is a letter from Milwaukee Police Chief Arthur Jones in response to a question from the Public Safety Committee, as to why Quality of Life Citations, and traffic citations in particular, decreased in each quarter of the year 2000, and increased in each of the first three quarters of 2001, as shown below. (Data for the fourth quarter are not yet available.)





Police Department

Arthur L. Jones
Chief of Police

January 10, 2002

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Mr. Joseph J. Czarnecki
Executive Director
Board of Fire and Police Commission
809 North Broadway, Room 104
Milwaukee, WI 53202

FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION

Dear Mr. Czarnecki:

I am writing in response to your letter of January 4, 2002 relative to quality of life statistical information. Your letter requests an explanation in relation to the variance of these statistics between 2000 and 2001.

As you are aware, quality of life enforcement is an integral part of our Department's strategy to reduce crime and improve the quality of life in our city. There are many factors, which may have a direct bearing on the number of citations issued on a daily basis. They may range from extreme weather conditions in the winter to personnel assigned to dispatched assignments and special events during the summer months.

At this time I cannot relate the exact circumstances of the rise in activity other than our department's commitment to this enforcement. As depicted in current statistics as of December 1, 2001, the Milwaukee Police Department quality of life enforcement is up 6% as compared to December 2, 2000. Our department will continue to concentrate in this area during the upcoming year.

Sincerely,

ARTHUR L. JONES
CHIEF OF POLICE