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From: Owczarski, Jim Sent: Wednesday, October 20, 2021 3:34 PM To: Lee, Chris **Subject:** FW: ARPA proposal 47 For the file. Jim From: Owczarski, Jim <jowcza@milwaukee.gov> Sent: Wednesday, October 20, 2021 3:34 PM To: Council Members Aides < Council Members Aides@milwaukee.gov> Subject: FW: ARPA proposal 47 Honorable Members, The attached is being shared at the request of the sender. Respectfully, Jim The Milwaukee Area Labor Council is pleased that the proposal to provide retroactive hazard pay for general City Workers who were excluded from this recognition of their service in dangerous conditions during the pandemic has passed out of committee and comes before the full Council. We are disappointed that the amount available was cut to less than half. Practically this means that the hazard pay is being distributed unequally among City workers, and that the Mayor and the Council are following President Trump's lead in deciding who is a "deserving worker" and taking advantage of actions that Scott Walker took to "divide and conquer" workers in the public sector. We ask that full funding for this measure be reconsidered on the floor. The amount that was cut is \$1.5 million. Pam Fendt, president