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MEMBER KOMES

..Title

Resolution relating to the posting of signs prohibiting carrying, possession or control of firearms onto premises that cater to families and youth or that employ youth.

..Analysis

2011 Wisconsin Act 35 provides that the owner or occupant of a nonresidential building and the owner or occupant of the grounds of a nonresidential building may prohibit carrying of firearms upon or within buildings if notice is given prohibiting firearms. Notice may be given by posting a sign that is at least 5 inches by 7 inches and is located in a prominent place near all of the entrances to the part of the building to which the restriction applies, and where any individual entering can be reasonably expected to see the sign. This resolution urges all persons and parties owning or controlling premises that cater to families and youth or that employ youth to post appropriate signs prohibiting members of the public from carrying firearms onto the premises.

..Body

Whereas, Firearm violence in the City of Milwaukee continues to cause great pain, suffering and anguish to individuals, families and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, 2011 Wisconsin Act 35 permits the owner or occupant of a nonresidential building and the owner or occupant of the grounds of a nonresidential building to notify persons coming into the building or onto the grounds of the building that firearms are not permitted; and

Whereas, Persons carrying firearms into nonresidential buildings or onto the grounds of nonresidential buildings after notice that firearms are not permitted may be subject to a Class B forfeiture penalty of up to \$1,000 under Wisconsin trespass statutes; and

Whereas, The presence of firearms and other dangerous weapons in places that draw families and youth or that employ youth promotes an atmosphere of fear and potential confrontation and creates a risk of harm, injury or death by unintended as well as intended misuse; and

Whereas, Permitting persons licensed to carry concealed weapons to carrying handguns onto the premises of establishments that cater to families and youth or that employ youth poses significant enforcement challenges, including screening for lawful carrying of handguns on the premises and responding to and preventing unlawful carrying of handguns on the premises; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Youth Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Youth Council urges all persons and parties owning or controlling premises that cater to families and youth or that employ youth to post signs of at least 5 inches by 7 inches prohibiting persons from entering upon premises while carrying firearms.

..Requestor

..Drafter

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