

**JoAnne Anton**

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Public Safety and Health Committee  
Attention Chair, Alderwoman Marina Dimitrijevic  
RE: File # 200284

Dear Honorable Members of the City of Milwaukee Public Safety and Health Committee:

Today I write to offer my support for the re-appointment of Griselda Aldrete, Executive Director for the Fire and Police Commission. I have known Griselda personally and professionally over the past eight years and last August, was pleased to see her appointed to this important position.

Given the calls to reform the way both the commission and our police department function, and the time necessary to effect meaningful and real change, re-appointing Griselda is both prudent and necessary. Allowing her to continue to advance new and improved vision, structure and culture, and corrective action for the Fire and Police Commission is also important to our city's safety. If re-appointed, Griselda's legal background, strong leadership and organizational skills along with her commitment to transparency and open, constructive communication will help the Fire and Police Commission improve its mission, impact and service delivery.

It is vitally important that the Mayor, Common Council and FPC work together to put an end to past disagreements and dysfunction and do more than talk about, argue or merely imagine what we want our community's police-public relations to look like. There is so much work to be done at this critical time and Griselda needs the chance, support and resources to accomplish responsive, meaningful change.

She has my support and gratitude for her willingness to serve the public as do you and the men and women who serve our police and fire departments every day.

Sincerely,



JoAnne Anton