July 20, 2004

To the Honorable Common Council Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development Committee City of Milwaukee

Dear Committee Members:

Attached is File No. 040336, being an ordinance relating to the change in zoning from Industrial Light (IL1) to Local Business (LB2), on land located on the East Side of North 19th Street between West Fond du Lac Avenue and West Monroe Street, in the 15th Aldermanic District.

This change in zoning would allow for the conversion of the former St. Vincent de Paul building to provide retail and residential uses. The Johnson Park Lofts building would provide 12,000 square feet of first floor retail and 24 two and three bedroom loft style affordable rental units with enclosed parking. Balconies will be added to the residential units.

On Monday July 12, 2004, the City Plan Commission held a public hearing. At that time, no one spoke in opposition to the proposed zoning change. Since this proposed rezoning is consistent with City plans for the area and the Fond du Lac and North Neighborhood Plan, the City Plan Commission at its regular meeting on July 12, 2004 recommended approval of the attached ordinance.

Sincerely,

Martha L. Brown Acting Executive Secretary City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

cc: Ald. Hines

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