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Mr. James Owczarski
City Clerk
Milwaukee Common Council
200 East Wells Street, Room 205
Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Communication from the Fire Department relative to amending the 2015 Positions Ordinance due to the addition of a Health and Safety Division to the EMS/Training/Education Bureau Decision Unit

Dear Mr. Owczarski:

The Milwaukee Fire Department is submitting this communication file for introduction at the March 25, 2015, Finance and Personnel Committee meeting. This file reflects the department's concerted effort towards safety and wellness in the past few years, which has also created and expanded various health and safety programs. It is because of this heightened focus and enlarged scope that I wish to update the department's organization and create the separate Health and Safety Division.

The Health and Safety Officer, who is currently in the bureau, but not assigned to a division, and the new position of Athletic Trainer/Injury Prevention Coach, which is currently being classified, would be the personnel assigned to the Health and Safety Division for 2015. This action would have no fiscal impact.

The Fire and Police Commission, at its March 5, 2015, board meeting, approved the above request. Thank you for your support of the department's reorganization of its safety and wellness efforts. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Assistant Chief Daniel Berendt at (414) 286-8982.

Sincerely,

MARK ROHLFING
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