June 20, 2008

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: Marquette University

Resolution to authorize the naming of West Michigan Street as a private road

Dear Honorable Members:

Marquette University intends to construct a new building for its law school to be named Eckstein Hall. As part of the site development, a private roadway is proposed to provide access to the front and main entrance of this building. This development includes an internal road which Marquette University would like the City to recognize as a private road. The roadway is to be located on what is currently vacated West Michigan Street. By the City recognizing this private street, it allows the City to assign addresses to buildings which will not front on adjacent public streets. These addresses will support mail delivery and emergency service responses.

In compliance with Chapter 113-1 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, Marquette University provided a legal description of the private road which will allow City maps and data bases to be updated to include this private road. By ordinance, Marquette University is responsible for placing brown street name signs at their expense to identify the road. Additionally, they are responsible for placing and maintaining the traffic control (stop sign) at the location where West Michigan Street meets the public right of way at North 11th Street. As the owner of this private road, Marquette University will assume all maintenance responsibilities including snow removal, pavement restoration, and street lighting.

The attached resolution has been prepared and it is recommended for adoption as it will formally recognize and name West Michigan Street as a private road for the new Marquette University Law school building.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey Polenske, P.E. City Engineer

Jeffrey J. Mantes Commissioner of Public Works

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Attachment

c: Alderman Robert J. Bauman