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Cc: <u>mayor@milwaukee.gov</u>, Christopher Daood <<u>chris.daood@gmail.com</u>>

Subject: Please help remove the dam

Dear President Hamilton and Members of the Milwaukee Common Council:

We send this email as representatives of over 100 Glendale residents who live in a small neighborhood along the Milwaukee River, just north of Silver Spring (see attached map), and who are negatively impacted by the Estabrook Park dam. Attached you will find two petitions circulated in the neighborhood supporting dam removal, including signatures by several residents who live directly on the river. We urge you to support the rezoning of land so that the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) can acquire the Estabrook Park dam for the purpose of removal.

The removal of the Estabrook Park dam will result in a reduced risk of flooding for homes along Lincoln Creek and the Milwaukee River north of the dam. In addition some homes currently in the floodplain will be removed from the floodplain, and other homes will be designated as having a lower risk of flooding, saving homeowners thousands of dollars in flood insurance premiums annually. For this reason, Collin Johnson, the floodplain manager for the City of Glendale, fully supports dam removal.

While we understand concerns about usurping the power of the County Board of Supervisors, the County Board has refused to take an up or down vote on the dam for over eight years despite calls from residents, the media, non-profits, and other governmental entities that it do so. There is also precedent for a land transfer such as this; in 1936 the City of Milwaukee transfered park land to Milwaukee County believing that Milwaukee's residents were best served by this exchange during the heart of the Depression. Clearly, the rezoning you are considering is in the best interests of both city and county residents, including those residents who live in the area impacted by the dam.

Thank you for your help and consideration. Please contact us should you have any questions or concerns.

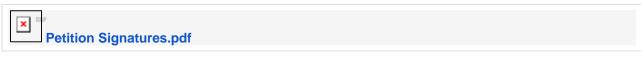
Sincerely,

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