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Alderman James Bohl District 5 Alderman 200 East Wells Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Alderman Bohl:

As chairman of the Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development Committee, I know you take great interest in the City of Milwaukee's Residents Preference Program, and gauging its success in putting the citizens you represent to work in family supporting careers. In my position as the Business Manager of Steamfitters Local 601, I too have a stake in seeing that my members, who are city of Milwaukee residents, have every opportunity to work on the projects that their tax dollars help fund. It's a program that is evolving to become a valuable and common-sense way to employ the talented people of this community.

I recently learned of an issue with one project utilizing the RPP program, where one of our employers fell short of the program's goal. In conversations with the contractor and the project's developer, we discussed the problem and identified what we feel will be a logical solution for future projects. Communications between the parties will be a key component in advancing the success of this program.

I can assure you that the Steamfitters are committed to working with the City of Milwaukee to make this program work.

Sincerely,

Joel Zielke

Business Manager Steamfitters Local 601

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