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Ald. James Bohl, Chair Zoning, Neighborhoods & Development Committee

Re: File No. 170188 - Deconstruction of residential buildings ordinance

I represent the Apartment Association of Southeastern Wisconsin, Inc. as its attorney and lobbyist.

We propose three simple amendments to this proposed ordinance:

- **1.** Limit the initial applicability of the ordinance to properties owned by the City, those in an historic district or those designated as an historic structure.
- **2**. Add a sunset clause which will force a review of the deconstruction concept after a period of, say, two years.
- **3.** Add a provision that if a non-historic property is damaged by fire or other casualty to the extent of more than 50% of its assessed value a demolition permit may be issued without further review by the Commissioner as to whether deconstruction may be suitable.

Very truly yours,

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