## **MILWAUKEE ALUMNAE CHAPTER** DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED

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Milele A. Coggs Alderwoman 200 E. Wells Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Alderwoman Coggs:

I am writing on behalf of the 250 members of the Milwaukee Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated to wholeheartedly extend our support and affirmation of Substitute Ordinance 180127 that renames 4th Street from West St. Paul Avenue, to West Capitol Drive to Vel R. Phillips Avenue, and stand humbly with the City to recognize Vel R. Phillips' historic contributions to Milwaukee as outlined in the legislative text.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated was founded in 1913 on the campus of Howard University to promote academic excellence; to provide scholarships; to provide support to the underserved; educate and stimulate participation in the establishment of positive public policy; and to highlight issues and provide solutions for problems in their communities. Today Delta Sigma Theta Sorority has over 250,000 initiated members and more than 900 chapters worldwide, including seven in Wisconsin. The Sorority uses its Five-Point Programmatic Thrust of economic development, educational development, international awareness and involvement, physical and mental health, and political awareness and involvement to create its national and local programs.

Given our treasured sister's legacy to civil rights, and our organizational commitment to public service as outlined above, we assert that this ordinance is a magnificent gesture that honors and commemorates her well.

Sincerely,

Demetria Bell Anderson President

cc: Tom Barrett, Mayor Ashanti Hamiliton, Common Council President Vanessa Ann Brown, Social Action Co-Chair Jasmine Johnson, Social Action Co-Chair

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