August 31, 2018

Common Council President Ashanti Hamilton City Hall 200 E. Wells Street Room 205 Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear President Hamilton,

It is with great enthusiasm and confidence that I write to you today to ask that you to confirm Dr. Jeanette Kowalik as Milwaukee Health Commissioner on September 5th, 2018.

For the past decade plus I have worked with the Health Department on myriad issues including teen pregnancy, infant mortality, safe drinking water, and immunizations. I consider them to be among the most important, the most critical of all City departments. I am thrilled that after months of confusion and inadequate service provision, a candidate of this caliber is positioned to take the helm.

Milwaukee needs a Health Commissioner that not only has the requisite academic credentials and professional experience—but who will serve as a bridge between the community and the systems that serve them. And systems must serve them better. Dr. Kowalik is uniquely positioned to do just that.

Our City is facing a critical juncture. Families need a leader who will advocate for them, who will base decisions in research and science, who will support and lift her colleagues, allowing them to do their work. Dr. Kowalik is that leader.

Please confirm Dr. Jeanette Kowalik on September 5, 2018.

Sincerely, Nicole Angresano, MPH