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Steering and Rules Committee  
City of Milwaukee Common Council  
City Hall 200 E Wells Street  
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Dear Members of the Steering and Rules Committee,

The Union Veterans Committee and the women and men of the Milwaukee Area Labor Council applaud you for taking the first step towards the creation of a Veterans' Affairs Office and Advisory Council. We hope you continue to support Milwaukee's Veterans and approve the ordinance.

Veterans face many unique issues due to the sacrifices they made while serving our country. It is crucial that we come together as a community to improve the lives of those that risked everything for us. The MALC Union Veterans Committee seeks to support the many activities that take place in southeastern Wisconsin to benefit local Veterans, by raising financial contributions and engaging volunteers to help. Additionally, we seek to address issues that relate to Veterans' employment. Most recently we hosted a rally for AFGE union workers at the VA Hospital to address workplace issues there.

We also write today to urge you to approve the resolutions on Climate and Economic Equity, and commit Milwaukee to achieving racial equality. In the last few years we have seen the harm that climate change and racism have had on the well-being of our community. Please add us to the record of those in support of items 2, 3, and 4 on tomorrow's S&R agenda.

Respectfully,



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