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Common Council President Ashanti Hamilton Alderman Russell Stamper, CED Chair Alderman Tony Zielinski, CED Committee

Dear Aldermen:

I have reviewed File #191098 which, if adopted, would make significant changes to the City of Milwaukee's Residents Preference Program. I understand that, on March 30, 2020, the agenda of the April 1, 2020 Community and Economic Development (CED) Committee was amended to add this File.

In light of the new meeting procedures adopted by the Common Council during the COVID-19 crisis, which include only very limited provisions for public testimony, I am very concerned that there will be no opportunity for the development community to share its feedback on the proposed changes if this File is heard by CED on April 1st. Cooperation by developers, contractors, training organizations, and others involved in building our city is the foundation of the success achieved by RPP in its current form. Industry input is particularly valuable in helping the Council to understand the impact of any changes proposed to RPP.

I urge you to hold this File at Committee on April 1st, and bring it back to the Committee only when full public input processes have been restored.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux Commissioner

c: Ald. Robert Donovan, CED Committee Ald. Cavalier Johnson, CED Committee Ald. Khalif Rainey, CED Committee

