

To: The Milwaukee Common Council

July 15, 2021

Subject: Enthusiastic Support for the Century City Clean Energy Jobs Project, an initiative proposed within the Milwaukee Recovery and Resilience Plan

RENEW Wisconsin is a nonprofit organization dedicated to building a stronger, healthier, more vibrant Wisconsin through the advancement of renewable energy. We work on policies and programs that support solar power, wind power, biogas, local hydropower, geothermal energy, energy storage and electric vehicles. Since 1991 we have been a champion for clean energy solutions in the Badger State.

Clean energy jobs (solar, wind, advanced transportation, energy storage, emerging technologies and more) are among the fastest growing employment sectors. These jobs help build stronger communities, with family sustaining, locally based jobs, while advancing the transition to emission-free energy.

RENEW Wisconsin is thrilled to support the **Century City Clean Energy Jobs Project** to build the youth talent pipeline and create paid training apprenticeships. RENEW has over 60 clean energy business members and will work with them in this effort. RENEW will help connect businesses to youth talent and potential apprentices, so that they may build skills and become successful workers in the clean energy sector.

Thank you for advancing this initiative which has tremendous potential to strengthen communities and accelerate the transformation to a clean energy future.

Sincerely,

Heather Allen Executive Director