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For Distribution to the City of Milwaukee Finance & Personnel Committee Members:

I respectfully request that you take the opportunity at tomorrow's meeting to vote for Expanding Milwaukee's Tree Canopy and other Green Infrastructure (Dimitrijevic, Bauman and Kovac). This will be a vote for climate action and equity, as underserved neighborhoods are often the areas lacking the benefits of heat absorption, flood protection and access to green space. The Trees and GI proposal includes canopy analysis, stumping, tree planting, equipment, ECO's Green Lots Program and Reforestation grants.

The benefits of restoring nature include carbon sequestration, reduced heat-related illnesses, lower flooding risks, cleaner air and water, improved mental health, wildlife habitat and beautification. This proposal is a good start towards promoting the health and longevity of our existing trees, replacing dead and dying trees, removing excess paving, and adding more trees, green infrastructure and natural landscaping while creating green jobs.

Thank you for considering this support for improving our natural environment.

Warm regards, Linda Frank Member, City-County Task Force on Climate & Economic Equity