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Substitute resolution supporting the proposed Guardian Pipeline project and its application on file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) relating to natural gas service.

- Analysis -

This resolution expresses the support of the Common Council for the proposed Guardian Pipeline project, which is a 150-mile natural gas pipeline from Illinois to Wisconsin. The resolution includes Common Council findings and urges the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to approve the Guardian Pipeline project.

Whereas, The proposed Guardian Pipeline would be a 150-mile natural gas pipeline from Joliet, Illinois, to Ixonia, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, The Guardian Pipeline will create permanent competition in the gas transportation and storage markets, bringing lower energy costs to residential and business natural gas consumers in Milwaukee and throughout Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Increased competition attributable to the Guardian Pipeline is estimated to save Wisconsin customers more than \$100 million during the first 10 years of pipeline operation; and

Whereas, The Guardian Pipeline will ensure that a reliable source of natural gas is available to meet Wisconsin's summer and winter natural gas needs; and

Whereas, One of the 3 owners of the Guardian Pipeline will be Milwaukee-based WICOR, the parent company of Wisconsin Gas; and

Whereas, The owners of the proposed pipeline have committed to undertake the construction and operation of the pipeline with sensitivity to minimizing negative effects on the landscape and environment; and

Whereas, The Guardian Pipeline is supported by a wide variety of businesses, government officials and community groups, including the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce, YWCA of Greater Milwaukee, La Causa, Interfaith Older Adult Programs, Inc., Opportunities Industrialization Center of Greater Milwaukee (OIC), Project Equality of Wisconsin, Social Development Commission (SDC), United Migrant Opportunities Source (UMOS), Wisconsin Council on Children and Families, the Intergovernmental Cooperation Council of Milwaukee County, Mayor John Norquist, County Executive Tom Ament, Governor Tommy Thompson, Congressmen Tom Barrett and Jerry Kleczka, the Citizens Utility Board, Sta-Rite Industries, the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company and the Milwaukee Business Journal; and

Whereas, Construction of the Guardian Pipeline requires the approval of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Common Council supports the Guardian Pipeline project and finds that it will bring competition, a greater supply of natural gas, greater reliability and lower prices to natural gas consumers in Milwaukee and Wisconsin; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Milwaukee Common Council urges the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to approve the Guardian Pipeline project; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Clerk is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, each member of the Wisconsin Congressional delegation, Governor Tommy Thompson and County Executive Tom Ament.

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