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### THE CHAIR

Resolution to facilitate expansion of Milwaukee Public Schools' Westside Academy II by approving the blight designation of seven privately owned properties for acquisition by the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee and authorizing subsequent conveyance of these properties and three City-owned vacant lots to the City of Milwaukee In Trust for the Board of School Directors, in the 17<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District.

(Redevelopment Authority)

Adoption of this resolution by at least two-thirds vote of the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee will approve the blight designation of seven privately owned properties in the vicinity of North 36th Street and West Brown Street, authorize their acquisition by the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee using the Spot Acquisition procedures set forth in Section 66.1333, Wisconsin Statutes, identify a funding source, and authorize the subsequent property conveyance of these properties and three City-owned vacant lots according to the conditions in the Land Disposition Report.

Whereas, As part of the Neighborhood Schools Initiative, the Board of School Directors for the Milwaukee Public Schools ("MPS") has approved expansion of the Westside Academy II that currently operates in the former Thomas Aquinas School at 1940-60 North 36th Street and has requested that the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee ("Authority") acquire the following privately owned properties to facilitate this expansion:

1849-51 North 35th Street (Tax Key No. 348-9991-000)  
1909-11 North 35th Street (Tax Key No. 348-0363-000)  
1913-15 North 35th Street (Tax Key No. 348-0361-000)  
1918-18R North 36th Street (Tax Key No. 348-0369-000)  
1920-22 North 36th Street (Tax Key No. 348-0368-000)  
1924-26 North 36th Street (Tax Key No. 348-0370-000)  
1930 North 36th Street (Tax Key No. 348-0371-000)

; and

Whereas, The Authority proposes to use its blight elimination authority pursuant to Section 66.1333(5)(c), Wisconsin Statutes, to acquire these properties and proper notices were given to the owners of record; and

Whereas, The Authority conducted a Public Hearing on April 19, 2001, pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes and determined the subject properties to be blighted properties within the meaning of Section 66.1333(4)(bm), Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, and requested Council approval of these Spot Acquisition Projects ("Projects"); and

Whereas, Site acquisition will be paid by MPS; and

Whereas, After acquisition, the Authority shall convey the properties to the City of Milwaukee In Trust for the Milwaukee Board of School Directors for expansion of Westside Academy II; and

Whereas, Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, a Land Disposition Report for these properties was submitted and the Public Hearing conducted on April 19, 2001, which concurrently addressed the disposition of these properties; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee also owns the adjacent vacant lots at 1845-47, 1901-03 and 1905 North 35th Street that are also needed for the school expansion; and

Whereas, The City Plan Commission has reviewed the proposed expansion and has determined that use of these City-owned lots by MPS and acceptance of title to former Thomas Aquinas School at 1940-60 North 36th Street from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee is appropriate; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee that the subject Projects are approved; and, be it

Further Resolved, That it is found, determined, and reaffirmed that:

1. These Projects are blighted properties in need of blight elimination, slum clearance, and urban renewal, and qualify as eligible projects within the meaning of Section 66.1333 (4) (bm), Wisconsin Statutes, as amended.
2. The objectives of the Authority cannot be achieved solely through rehabilitation of these Projects.
3. These Projects are feasible and conform to the general plan of the City.
4. Financial assistance to the Authority is available from the City; and, be it

Further Resolved, That to implement and facilitate the prosecution of these Projects, certain official action to support the new land use after redevelopment may be taken with general references, among other things, to changes in zoning; the vacation and removal of streets, alleys, and other public ways; the location and relocation of sewer and water mains and other public facilities; and other public actions deemed necessary to effectuate the purpose of these Projects including the prohibition of any new construction in these Project areas, and accordingly, the Council:

1. Pledges its cooperation in helping to carry out these Projects.
2. Directs that no new construction shall be permitted or authorized in these Project areas by any agencies, boards, or commissions of the City under local codes or ordinances unless as authorized by the Council under Section 66.1333(6) (e), Wisconsin Statutes.
3. Directs the various public officials, departments, boards, and agencies of the City having administrative responsibilities in the premises likewise to cooperate to such end and to exercise their respective functions and powers in a manner consistent with these Projects' objectives.
4. Stands ready to consider and take appropriate action upon proposals and measures designed to effectuate these Projects; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Clerk is authorized and directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Commissioner of the Department of Neighborhood Services, the City Engineer, the Assessment Commissioner, the Director of the Community Block Grant

Administration, the Redevelopment Authority, and to such other agencies, boards, and commissions of the City having administrative jurisdiction in the premises described above; and, be it

Further Resolved, That upon Council and State of Wisconsin approval of a Relocation Plan prepared for these Projects by the Authority pursuant to applicable provisions of Wisconsin law, and upon execution of the necessary funding agreement undertaking and carrying out these Projects including all provisions relating thereto, the Authority is requested to proceed with the prosecution of these Projects as provided in Section 66.1333, Wisconsin Statutes, as amended; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Land Disposition Report dated April 19, 2001, with respect to the proposed conveyance of the following properties to the City of Milwaukee In Trust for the Milwaukee Board of School Directors is approved.

From the Authority:

1849-51 North 35th Street  
1909-11 North 35th Street  
1913-15 North 35th Street  
1918-18R North 36th Street  
1920-22 North 36th Street  
1924-26 North 36th Street  
1930 North 36th Street

From the City of Milwaukee:

1845-47 North 35th Street  
1901-03 North 35th Street  
1905 North 35th Street

From the Archdiocese of Milwaukee:

1940 North 36th Street  
1960 North 36th Street

; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the proper City officials are authorized to execute Quit Claim Deeds or other legal documents necessary to accomplish expansion projects.

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