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Resolution requesting all City of Milwaukee elected officials to provide financial documentation as verification of contributions made to and disbursements made from their campaign accounts. Currently, council rules require members to include financial documentation, such as bank statements, with the copies of their campaign finance reports, all of which are filed with the City Clerk twice a year. This resolution requests that all other City of Milwaukee elected officials provide financial documentation with a copy of their campaign finance reports each year to the City Election Commission no earlier than January 1 and no later than January 31; and no earlier than July 1 and no later than July 20.

Whereas, The State of Wisconsin campaign finance law requires candidates for public office and duly elected officials to disclose to the State Elections Board their campaign contributions and disbursements, and to abide by certain contribution limits and prohibitions; and

Whereas, The State of Wisconsin campaign finance law does not require candidates for public office and duly elected officials to file their bank statements or other financial documentation with the State Elections Board to verify such contributions and disbursements; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee has a commitment to free and fair elections; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee is committed to maintaining integrity in public service; and

Whereas, In March 2003, the Common Council amended the Common Council Procedure and Rules to require all common council members to provide financial documentation as verification of the reported balance in their campaign accounts to the city clerk; and

Whereas, It is the Common Council's desire that all other City elected officials provide financial documentation as part of their campaign finance reports to the City Election Commission similar to the Council's practice; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that all other City of Milwaukee elected officials are requested to provide financial documentation with a copy of their campaign finance reports each year to the City Election Commission no earlier than January 1 and no later than January 31; and no earlier than July 1 and no later than July 20. In the event that any report is required to be filed under this section on a nonbusiness day, it may be filed on the next business day thereafter.

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