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Resolution urging the City of Milwaukee to adopt an ordinance prohibiting merchants from refusing payments in cash.

This resolution urges the government of the CIty of Milwaukee to adopt an ordinance prohibiting merchants from refusing payments in cash.

Whereas, the Equal Rights Commission recognizes that embracing new technologies and faster transactions, cashless purchases are a convenient option more retailers and merchants, allowing shorter lines and wait times for their customers; and

Whereas, the Equal Rights Commission values the many its business community and partners that offer diverse products and services that contribute to a vibrant and welcoming city; and

Whereas, the Equal Rights Commission and city of Milwaukee also has a responsibility to oppose any practices that may have negative consequences and further marginalize vulnerable populations; and

Whereas, the Equal Rights Commission promotes the closing of the equity and equality gap for marginalized communities through policies and practices that reflect the experiences and values of the City; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Equal Rights Commission of the City of Milwaukee that it urges the Milwaukee Common Council to adopt an ordinance prohibiting merchants from refusing payments in cash in a form substantially similar to that attached to this resolution, and, be it

Further Resolved, that a copy of this file be referred to the Common Council.

James R. Owczarski September 14, 2020