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**South
Milwaukee**

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

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May 30, 2012

Jim Leavens
510 Hawthorne Avenue
South Milwaukee, WI 53172

Dear Mr. Leavens,

Your Direct Legislation petitions were filed in the Clerk's Office on Monday, May 21, 2012. At the time of the filing you designated yourself as the individual to be notified of any deficiency. Attached hereto you will find my Clerk's Certificate finding the petition you filed was not supported by the required number of valid signatures.

According to Wisconsin Statute 9.20 (1) on Direct Legislation, "A number of electors equal to at least 15% of the votes cast for governor at the last general election in their city or village may sign and file a petition with the city or village clerk requesting that an attached proposed ordinance or resolution, without alteration, either be adopted by the common council or village board or be referred to a vote of the electors. The individual filing the petition on behalf of the electors shall designate in writing an individual to be notified of any insufficiency or improper form under sub. (3)."

The number of signatures needed according to the statute is 1,197 signatures. The signatures must all be collected within a 60-day continuous time period immediately preceding the filing of the petition. On May 21, 2012, you filed a total of 1,172 signatures. Even if all the signatures you filed were properly executed, your petition was not supported by the required number of signatures.

Not all of the signatures on your petition were validly executed. Twenty-five, (25), of the signatures you filed were not collected within the 60 days immediately preceding the filing (March 22nd – May 21st), and are therefore ineligible. Thirty-one, (30), signatures were invalid because the signer listed a phone number or email address where a listing of the municipality of residence was required. One, (1), signer failed to list any address. Five, (5), signatures had no date entered for the signature. You filed 135 sheets of signatures. Of the sheets filed, there were 17 sheets where the circulator signed and dated the circulation certification before the date of some of the signatures collected. As a result of this circulator certification predating, 77 signatures were invalidated. The total

invalid signatures submitted were 138. The total number of valid signatures filed was 1034. Your petition is not supported by the required number of valid signatures.

Within 10 days, you may attempt to correct the insufficient number of valid signatures. The circulators who predated their sheets can come to City Hall and correct their certification dates. Those residents who failed to properly fill out their address and municipality of residence can come to City Hall and correct their information. Those who failed to date their signature can come to City Hall and fill in the date. If you have unfiled signature sheets bearing signatures of residents of the City of South Milwaukee validly executed and collected between March 22 and May 21, 2012 you can make up the insufficient number of valid signatures by filing enough of those sheets of signatures to bring the total of validly executed and filed signatures up to 1,197. If all the signers and circulators come to City Hall and make the necessary corrections, you will still need to file petition signature sheets with at least 64 additional valid signatures executed and collected between March 22 and May 21, 2012. If you either have all the corrections made and file additional sheets with at least 64 additional valid signatures or do not make all the corrections but file enough additional sheets with valid signatures to have on file the required 1,197 valid signatures, your petition will be certified as complete and forwarded to the Common Council at the end of the ten (10) days. If, during the next ten (10) days, you fail to bring the total number of valid signatures on file in my office up to at least 1,197, your petition will be certified as incomplete and the petition will not be forwarded to the Common Council.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 414-762-2222.

Sincerely,

Jim Shelenske
City Clerk

cc: Common Council

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION
DIRECT LEGISLATION PETITION FILED MAY 21, 2012
FILED BY MR. JIM LEMENS

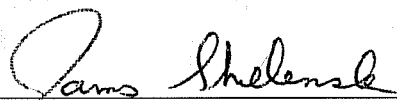
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The number of signatures needed according to the statute is 1,197 signatures collected within a 60-day continuous time period. On May 21, 2012, a total of 1,172 signatures were filed with an attached proposed ordinance. Of those filed, the number of invalid signatures totaled 138. These signatures were invalidated for the following reasons:

- i) 25 of the signatures filed were not collected within the 60 days immediately preceding the filing date (March 22nd – May 21st),
- ii) 30 signatures were invalid because the signer failed to list a municipality of residence and instead listed a phone number or email address where a listing of the municipality of residence was required
- iii) 1 failed to list any address.
- iv) 5 failed to date their signature.
- v) 77 signatures were invalidated because the circulator signed the circulator's certification before the signature date entered by the resident signing the petition. Since the signatures are required to be certified by the circulator and the circulators on these forms signed before the date of the residents' signatures, those residents signatures were not supported by a circulator's certification and are therefore invalid.

The total number of valid signatures filed was 1034. The petition is rejected because it is not supported by the required 1,197 valid signatures.

Dated: May 30, 2012.



James Shelenske, City Clerk