



## School Board of South Milwaukee

### Resolution 19-5 Support of Continuing Milwaukee County Transit Route 52

Whereas, the South Milwaukee School Board, administrators, educators, staff, parents and community members of South Milwaukee are united in our effort to provide all children with the highest quality educational opportunities possible and access to those opportunities; and

Whereas, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) bus service is an important and valued part of the School District of South Milwaukee, City of South Milwaukee and the entire South Shore, offering safe and affordable transportation to hundreds of people each day, connecting workers with jobs, residents with services, students with school and more;

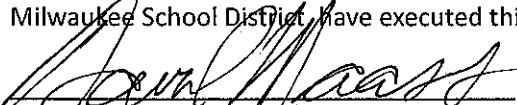
Whereas, MCTS has proposed cuts to its 2020 budget that include elimination of 16 of its 51 routes, including Routes 48 and 52 in South Milwaukee, as well as reductions in services to routes 55 and 80 serving other southern communities; and

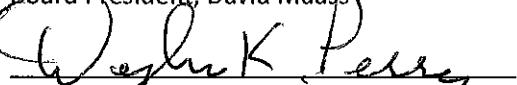
Whereas, the cutting of these routes will significantly harm the South Shore. As just one example, dozens of high school and middle school students are among the nearly 200 riders of Route 52 each day. Eliminating it would leave only Route 15 to serve these students, with the closest stop a half-mile away from school campuses; and

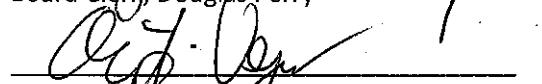
Whereas, the School District of South Milwaukee attracts students from neighboring municipalities and route 52 is critical to ensuring that students have the opportunity to attend our schools and participate in after school athletic and other extra-curricular activities; and

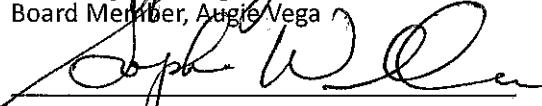
Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the South Milwaukee Board of Education hereby call upon county government leaders to not reduce service, and instead invest in public transportation as a means to serve our students, constituents, drive economic growth, and connect communities.

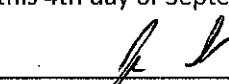
In Witness whereof, the undersigned, being all of the members of the School Board for the South Milwaukee School District, have executed this resolution this 4th day of September, 2019.

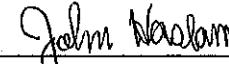
  
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