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Dear Neighbor,

Thank you for taking the time to read my constituent newsletter. I appreciate that you have entrusted me to represent the 9th District on the County Board.

All of us face financial challenges these days, and County government is no different. As I have always done, I will continue to vote against wasteful spending while finding innovative ways to provide services to you at the lowest possible cost.

The County Executive submitted his 2012 Recommended Budget to the County Board in September. This budget includes a property tax freeze. His proposal also makes substantial cuts in the Office of the Sheriff and emergency medical (paramedic) services. In addition, county employees are asked to pay significantly more for health and pension benefits, similar to the private sector. Transit bus services are largely preserved thanks to additional grant funding for the next two years.

You can be sure that I will balance the needs for government services with what we can afford to pay. I have consistently voted against tax levy increases. For 2012, I am continuing to seek less costly ways to operate County government while maintaining critical programs and services.

As your representative on the County Board, I am always open to your feedback and suggestions. It is an honor to serve as your voice in County government.

Enjoy the upcoming holidays, and I wish you and your family all the best in 2012!

Sincerely,

Paul M. Cesarz

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Milwaukee County Supervisor, 9th District



Size and scope of the County Board

Considerable attention has been focused on the size, structure and compensation of the County Board. There are currently 19 Supervisors on the County Board. During the redistricting process, I introduced a plan to downsize to 9 Supervisors. Unfortunately, the Board ultimately decided to downsize by just one seat to 18.

One of my colleagues, Supervisor Joe Sanfelippo, then introduced a resolution reducing the compensation of County Supervisor to \$15,000 annually. Other Supervisors have called for advisory referenda relating to Supervisory pay

and recognize that, in all other 71 Wisconsin counties, compensation is significantly lower than Milwaukee County.

The role of a County Supervisor is a citizen, policy-making role. It's not a full-time job; it's important to let departments carry out adopted policy without micromanagement from the Board.

On behalf of the taxpayers, I welcome any referendum on the size, scope, and duties for County Supervisors.

*Serving the Ninth District:
 Hales Corners, Franklin
 and Oak Creek*

A Vision for Milwaukee's Lakefront

The County Board has led efforts to develop a long-term plan for the lakefront redevelopment near downtown Milwaukee. The plan from Milwaukee County's Long-Range Lakefront Planning Committee includes possible redevelopment of O'Donnell Park, the Downtown Transit Center and access to Lincoln Memorial Drive from the Hoan Bridge and I-794.

Early ideas include a creating a terraced walkway from Wisconsin Avenue to Lincoln Memorial Drive while maintaining space for existing tenants and parking at the O'Donnell site.

This is a great opportunity to open up public space while exploring redevelopment opportunities to make our lakefront even more attractive. I thank the entire Committee, chaired by Parks Director Sue Black, for their forward thinking on lakefront redevelopment.

Managing Milwaukee County's Assets

I'm pleased to see that the Strategic Planning Committee, chaired by Supervisor Patricia Jursik, is moving forward with a long-range facility plan. I voted in support of this important initiative.

This discussion is necessary to determine whether the County is making the best use of its facilities. I am particularly interested in looking at the entire Courthouse complex surrounding MacArthur Square.

The Criminal Justice Facility and the Safety Building are underutilized. Children's Court should be moved back to the Courthouse complex. The Medical Examiner's office could be relocated to a site near the Zoo Interchange to provide better access to other governments in our region who use that service, and to be closer to our medical partners at the Milwaukee Regional Medical Center.

The County Board and administrative functions currently housed in the Courthouse could be shifted to office space elsewhere in the County.

We should also look at selling the County Correctional Facility-South in Franklin and moving those inmates to a centralized complex near the



Courthouse. The South site in Franklin is valuable to our County, and we should capitalize on that opportunity to explore development interest by municipalities and the marketplace. Huber inmates should be housed downtown to have better access to jobs. I, along with Supervisor Rice, introduced a Budget Amendment to analyze County-owned land to determine properties that could be identified as surplus and put up for sale. Our plan calls for up to \$125 million of proceeds from these sales to be used for parks maintenance and economic development.

I look forward to working with the County Board and the County Executive to promote these long-term decisions to expand the tax base, and allow for business and private sector job growth.

2011 Student Government Day



District 9 was proudly represented by Thomas Fong of Oak Creek at the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors Student Government Day Program held on March 17, 2011. Thomas participated in the County Board meeting and toured the jail and courtrooms to gain a better understanding of Milwaukee County government. Mr. Fong is currently a senior at Oak Creek High School.

Prescription Drug Discount Card



So far, Milwaukee County residents have saved more than \$1.2 million by using the Milwaukee County Prescription Drug Discount Card offered through the National Association of Counties (NACo). The free card offers an average savings of more than 20% off common retail prescription prices. Even bigger savings can be realized through the mail order service, which offers three month supplies of certain medications for up to 50% off.

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