



# *Milwaukee County*

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## **SUPERVISOR TAYLOR SHARPLY CRITICIZES POTENTIAL LIVING WAGE PROPOSAL SUGGESTED BY HIS COLLEAGUES AT LABOR DAY RALLY**

*Milwaukee, WI* – Today Supervisor Steve Taylor criticized the announcement to revive an effort to implement the "minimum wage requirement" ordinance for all entities doing business with Milwaukee County. That announcement was issued yesterday by a few Milwaukee County Board Supervisors attending the Labor Day rally at Milwaukee's Zeidler Park. A similar proposal was defeated in July as some Supervisors wanted it applied to the proposed extended-stay hotel at Wauwatosa's Innovation Park this summer.

In light of yesterday's announcement, Supervisor Taylor issued the following statement:

"As folks throughout Milwaukee County and the nation celebrated the last holiday of the summer, some Milwaukee County Supervisors were busy reviving the ill-advised minimum wage proposal. At the time when our communities are in dire need of more development to create jobs and increase the tax base, the County Board should be working on initiatives that attract rather than deter companies from doing business with Milwaukee County. Given the current less-than-favorable economic outlook, a resolution of this kind is misguided, out of touch with reality and would do more harm than good to Milwaukee County residents. It is a questionable short term fix that will have long term negative effects on the county's economic well-being. Should an ordinance change with respect to minimum wage be proposed, rest assured that I will be working with my like-minded colleagues on the Board to stop it."

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