



Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

— *Lee Holloway* —

Chairman of the Board

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COUNTY BOARD VOTES TO OPPOSE STATE LEGISLATION CREATING ADDITIONAL BUREAUCRACY IN MILWAUKEE COUNTY

Comptroller would place additional burden on Milwaukee County property tax payers

Milwaukee, WI – This morning, the County Board approved a resolution authored by Board Chairman Lee Holloway opposing Assembly Bill 329, which relates to the creation of a comptroller position in Milwaukee County.

“This bill, advanced by the Greater Milwaukee Committee, is ill advised, and I encourage the Assembly to vote it down,” Chairman Holloway said. “This bill would create another elected office, place another layer of bureaucracy in County government, and add costs during a down economy. The taxpayers of Milwaukee County have not asked for this additional burden.”

The resolution opposing the State legislation was approved by a supermajority of the County Board this morning: Chairman Lee Holloway, Eyon Biddle, Sr., Gerry Broderick, Lynne De Bruin, Marina Dimitrijevic, Jason Haas, Nikiya Q. Harris, Willie Johnson, Jr., Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Michael Mayo, Sr., Peggy A. Romo West, Jim “Luigi” Schmitt, and John F. Weishan, Jr.

“This legislation is a violation of local control, an unfunded mandate, and goes against the broad consensus that has come together in support of truly independent non-political fiscal analysis,” said Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., who was one of the 13 Supervisors voting to oppose the bill.

“I am asking the Legislature to ignore agendas like this from special interest groups that do not represent the wishes of County residents,” Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr., said. “In this case, the Greater Milwaukee Committee is a special interest group trying to undermine County government. I hope that, in the future, the County Executive will work with the County Board, rather than against us, when considering items that alter the structure of County government.”

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