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IRC Transmittal Memo II

TO: Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson
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FROM: Judge Jean DiMotto
Chairwoman, Independent Redistricting Committee

DATE: Saturday, October 16, 2021

On Friday, October 8, 2021, the Independent Redistricting Committee (IRC) met, considered and recommended Map Version K to the County Board.

The following Monday, October 11, the IRC chairwoman attended and spoke at the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Council (ICC) comprised of the mayors and presidents of the municipalities contained within Milwaukee County's borders. The ICC gave robust, highly negative feedback about the IRC having considered incumbency in the development of Map Version K, matching the nearly unanimous sentiment expressed in the public comment received at the IRC public hearing October 6.

The Judiciary, Safety and General Services Committee (JSGS) on October 12 and the County Board on October 13 rejected Map Version K.

Because of time sensitivities, the IRC chairwoman gave direction to Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) to create a revised map that adhered to the IRC's original four priorities, including, if needed, using the full latitude of deviation (+/- 4%) for equal population. Incumbency was to be disregarded. Further, given public feedback at the JSGS Committee meeting, the chairwoman directed SEWRPC to create a map that did not divide Franklin and Glendale, and did not overly divide West Allis.

SEWRPC created Map Version L in response to this direction. On October 15, the IRC considered, and in a 4-2 vote recommended, Map Version L to the County Board.

cc Margaret Daun, Corporation Counsel
Kevin Muhs, Executive Director of SEWRPC
IRC Committee Members