

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Anthony Staskunas

17th District Supervisor

Dear Chairman Haas and members of the Parks, Energy, and Environment Committee:

I am appearing before the Parks, Energy, and Environment Committee regarding the appointment of Jim Sullivan to the post of Director of Milwaukee County Parks, Recreation, and Culture. Since 2012, Jim has served as Director of Milwaukee County Department of Child Support Services. Committee members are well-versed with the number of awards the department has received under Jim's leadership and the other successes under Jim's leadership. Jim has clearly showed a great talent for leading people and managing people and bringing out the best in Milwaukee County employees.

Jim has served his country and his community as a member of the Navy Reserve, Wauwatosa Alderman, and member of the Wisconsin State Senate. In his capacity as State Senator, I had the opportunity to work closely with him because my assembly district and his senate district overlapped. Jim and I coauthored Act 100, a comprehensive overhaul and strengthening of Wisconsin drunk driving laws. This legislation was passed in 2009 and is the last time that the legislature passed a comprehensive strengthening of drunk driving laws. Jim's leadership and hard work were essential in passing Act 100. In working with Jim on this legislation, and other legislation, I found him to be intelligent, dedicated and always willing to put in the necessary research and work to achieve success.

Jim Sullivan is an honorable person dedicated to making Milwaukee County a better place to live and work. I enthusiastically support his appointment as Director of Milwaukee County Parks, Recreation and Culture.

Sincerely,

Supervisor Anthony Staskunas

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