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Support of Franciscan Community Resource Center

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To Members of the La Crosse Common Council:

Peace and all good!

This is to inform you of the support of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration for rezoning the property at 508 South 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to allow Catholic Charities to establish the Franciscan Community Resource Center at that location.

This city has already done significant work in meeting the needs of the homeless, and this is another step in the right direction. We support all services being proposed and believe they will enhance the city's overall efforts to reduce the impact of homelessness in our community. Catholic Charities is a key partner in the Coulee Collaborative to End Homelessness and these inter-organizational efforts are what has shown to respond most effectively to the needs of the underserved in communities across the nation.

Considering the impact of COIVD-19 on this community, and anticipating the consequences of the most vulnerable in our area, we ask that you honor this rezoning request as our city continues to exemplify that La Crosse cares. We are confident that Catholic Charities would be a good neighbor to all of us in the Washburn neighborhood.

Thank you for considering this request,

Sr. Eileen McKenzie



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