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GMC Board releases statement in support of mayor's position on I-794

MILWAUKEE – The Greater Milwaukee Committee Board of Directors released today a statement regarding ongoing discussion about the future of the city's I-794 corridor:

The Greater Milwaukee Committee supports Mayor Cavalier Johnson's decision regarding the future of Interstate 794 and appreciates the thoughtful, transparent process that brought us to this point.

This decision provides much-needed clarity for residents, businesses, developers and community stakeholders who have been awaiting direction on one of the region's most significant infrastructure projects. We commend the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and Mayor Johnson for undertaking a thorough review process that included public input, open dialogue and careful consideration of the project's long-term impacts on Milwaukee's economy, transportation network and future growth.

While we recognize that members of the community hold differing views regarding the future of I-794, we believe it is important to move forward with a plan that maintains regional mobility, supports economic development and avoids the significant disruption that could result from removing this critical transportation connection.

Milwaukee's continued success depends on our ability to make thoughtful decisions about infrastructure that strengthen connections between downtown, surrounding neighborhoods and the broader region. With a path forward now established, we encourage continued collaboration among city, state, business and community leaders to advance this project and ensure it delivers long-term benefits for Milwaukee.

Considerable work remains to refine the remaining options. This includes seamless integration with the existing street grid, along with maximizing the open space that will be created to encourage future development. Understanding the potential implications for area residents, businesses and Milwaukee's cultural attractions is vitally important.

We look forward to working alongside Mayor Johnson, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and community stakeholders as planning continues and implementation moves ahead.