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March 19, 2015

Mr. John Rooney
City Engineer
City of Racine
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Re: Request to add parking restriction on south side of Prospect Street west of Douglas Avenue affecting approximately the 60 feet closest to Douglas Avenue during daytime business hours, M-F, approximately 8am-6pm

Dear Mr. Rooney:

We request that the City add a parking restriction to allow semi trucks to make the turn from Douglas Avenue westbound onto Prospect Street during daytime business hours. The exact distance of the restriction would be determined by the Engineering Department to allow a 53' trailer pulled by an extended cab tractor to make the turn, from Douglas Avenue northbound or southbound, to Prospect Street westbound.

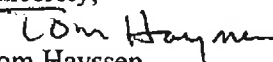
Monday, March 16, we were unable to make two shipments because two freight companies were blocked from making the turn from Douglas onto Prospect. One freight driver passed Prospect Street on three separate occasions that afternoon waiting for the pickup truck that was blocking the turn to move. Tuesday, the pickup truck was back, parked 45" into Prospect Street, 15' back from the stop sign. The responding police officer said a parking restriction would be the best long term solution.

The turn from Douglas onto Prospect is important to us because trucks westbound on Prospect have more space to back into our loading dock. We purchased and cleared a lot across from our driveway to provide backing space. Eastbound trucks are constrained by an electric pole and a house. Therefore, the longest semi trucks approach our business from Douglas Ave.

We understand that the tavern on the corner also has customers to serve. We request the restriction be in effect only M-F during daytime hours from 8am until 6pm.

Racine Iron has been at 905 Prospect Street since 1910 and employs more than 20 people full time.

Sincerely,


Tom Hayssen
General Manager

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