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Mayor Gary Becker Members of the Common Council c/o Janice Johnson-Martin, City Clerk

Subject: Request of Heritage Group, LLC to acquire 3124 Washington Avenue from the Redevelopment Authority.

Dear Mayor Becker and Honorable Aldermen:

I received the attached request from Heritage Group to acquire a property owned by the Redevelopment Authority.

I respectfully ask that this item be referred to the Redevelopment Authority for its review and recommendation.

Sincerely,

Brian F. O'Connell

Director of City Development

Attachment

C: Ald. James Spangenberg Kristin Niemiec, RCEDC File May 23, 2006

To: Brian O'Connell

City of Racine Redevelopment Director

From: Heritage Group, LLC

Re: Property at 3124 Washington Ave

Dear Mr. O'Connell,

We are requesting that the property at 3124 Washington Avenue be given to Heritage Group, LLC. We are in the process of signing an agreement with a grocery to lease/purchase the property at 1101 Grove Avenue. One of their stipulations to entering this agreement is that the property at 3122 and 3124 Washington Avenue be cleared and stay clear. They are in agreement to let the space be used for area activities. They would do landscaping to make the area look inviting.

We feel that the increase in the value of 1101 Grove Avenue by adding this land to it would cover any tax loses by giving the property to this project. Retaining a grocery store in West Racine is a vital piece of the approved West Racine Business District Plan.

We can get you drawings, appraisal values and any other information that you would need within the next 2 weeks. Please let us know what you need.

Thank you for your consideration,
Kanen S. Sounson

Karen Sorenson

Heritage Group, LLC

Member

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