

September 10, 2024

Human Resources Office at City Hall  
730 Washington Ave, Room 204  
Racine, WI 53403

RE: Letter of Interest – Alderperson for District #14

I would like to express my interest in the appointment to District #14 Alderperson. I have lived in the district for over 23 years and I've been very engaged in my community. I recently served as County Board Supervisor and was Block Captain for several years. As County Supervisor I sat on the Government Services and Public Works committees where I voted on matters related to changes in rules and ordinances; and polices overseeing parks and recreational facilities.

While serving as County Board Supervisor, I took the initiative to gather other County Supervisors to meet with the mayor, Cory Mason, about the Lincoln-King Center. The purpose was to brainstorm on getting additional financing for the project. As a result, in 2023 I received a verbal promise of \$2 million from County Executive Jonathan Dalagrave. This is only one example of how I support and contribute to the improvement of Racine, WI.

If appointed, I will continue my commitment in addressing health, wellness, and social disparities among underserved neighborhoods. By doing so, I believe that I can play an important role in the efforts to increased places for neighbors to gather, participate in recreational activities, and learn.

As a life-long Racine resident, I'm obligated to getting neighbors involved in decision-making processes that impact them. Some ways that I plan to continue these works is by: holding community meetings, conducting surveys, utilizing online platforms for feedback, and actively reaching out to diverse groups within the neighborhood.

I am able to attend Common Council meetings that are generally held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month, as well as the two standing committees that would be assigned. Additionally, it would be my intent to run for the seat in the spring election of 2026.

I look forward to hearing from you regarding my interest in being appointed as District #14 Alderperson.

Respectfully,

Marlo Harmon

## Community Engagement Bio

Marlo Harmon

### Elected Official

- District #8 County Board Supervisor, 2022-2024
  - Won 2022 race when I disqualified the incumbent by challenging his paperwork.
  - Served on Government Services Committee: Oversaw matters related to changes in rules or ordinances associated with the legislative, executive and judicial branch of the County.
  - Served on Public Works Parks and Facilities Committee: Reviewed rules and polices that are necessary for overseeing parks and recreation facilities.

### Racine Black Caucus

- President, 2022-2024
  - Worked to increase the number of Black Elected Officials in Racine County and Statewide.
  - Supported candidates and members who served their communities with passion, dignity and integrity.
  - Committed to advancing the issues that mattered to all members of the communities we were serving, regardless of race, color or creed.

### Board Member

- Racine NAACP Board Vice-President, 2012-2014
  - I appointed the Chair and members of all committees not otherwise elected by the General Membership.
  - Facilitated regular meetings in the absence of the NAACP Board President.
  - Attended and reported on matters from state conferences and meetings.
- NAACP Political Action Committee Chair 2012-2014
  - Sought to increase registration and voting.
  - Worked for the enactment of municipal, state and federal legislation designed to improve the educational, political and economic status of minority groups.
  - Pursued the repeal of local racially discriminatory legislation.

### Neighborhood Watch Group

- Victorian Drive Block Captain, 2012-2020
  - Worked towards keeping the block actively involved in crime prevention efforts.
  - Organized block party events on National Night Out.
  - Processed and distributed relevant information between neighbors.
  - Served as the “go to” person for answers to questions related to neighborhood issues.