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To the Mayor and members of the Council -

We the undersigned members of the Racine Urban Garden Network (RUGN) steering committee are heartened by the support of sustainable gardening practices as recently stated publicly by City officials.

However, articles 42-26, 42-30 and 42-31 of the City of Racine Municipal Code are clearly at odds with both this support and best practices of residential sustainable gardening.

We ask the Council to update these ordinances so that they reflect changes in the understanding of our natural environment and to support efforts among citizens to help make our city "green".

Respectfully,

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