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## **City of Milwaukee Youth Council calls on Common Council to boost youth- supporting businesses**

The **City of Milwaukee Youth Council** will ask the Common Council to do more to help promote youth-friendly retail businesses in the city. **Zeynab Ali**, a newly-confirmed Youth Council member, said she and other members of the Council will hold a **news conference to discuss an MYC resolution on the issue at 12:15 p.m. on Wednesday, November 26 in the first floor rotunda at City Hall, 200 E. Wells St.**

The resolution, already approved by the MYC and part of the full Common Council agenda for its meeting Tuesday, November 25 (9 a.m. in the third floor Council Chamber), also suggests options of boycotting those retail venues that discriminate solely based on age.

Council member Ali said she believes the resolution is important as it “reflects the true position on the issue” held by a majority of high school age students in the city. “As law abiding citizens and consumers who buy goods and services, we believe we should not be treated arbitrarily as though we cannot be trusted or that we will inevitably cause problems at stores or malls,” she said.

“Our rights should be considered, and we are asking businesses and locations to afford us some trust and to show some faith in Milwaukee’s young people, and that’s the discussion we hope to bring about with this resolution,” Ali said.

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