Deadline looming for 2015 Zeidler Public Service Award nominations

If you know of an outstanding citizen who should be considered for the 2015 Frank P. Zeidler Public Service Award, time is of the essence as nominations are being accepted through Tuesday, June 30, 2015.

The Zeidler Award is bestowed annually to recognize an outstanding city resident who best embodies Frank P. Zeidler’s legacy of social justice and civic accomplishment. The award was established by the Common Council in 2006, and city residents who are not elected officials are eligible for consideration. Last year’s winner was Kenneth “Ken” Germanson, a longtime advocate for workers’ rights, access to health care and higher education for low-income families.

The award selection committee is chaired by Milwaukee attorney Art Heitzer, and includes Alderman Robert J. Bauman, activist Jack Murtaugh, historian John Gurda, lawyer Arthur Harrington of Godfrey & Kahn, civil rights activist and retired founder of the New Concept Self Development Center, Inc. -- June Perry, and a representative of the Frank P. Zeidler Center for Public Discussion, Shelley Bruehling.

Nomination forms are available on the city website or by contacting Joanna Polanco (414-286-2366 or jpolan@milwaukee.gov). Anyone can nominate themselves or others, but nominees must be city residents who are not publicly-elected officials.

Please submit six copies of the nomination letter (three pages maximum) by Tuesday, June 30, 2015, along with the nominee’s resume and any supporting materials that would help the committee make its selection. Send to: Ms. Joanna Polanco, City Hall Room 205, 200 E. Wells St., Milwaukee, WI 53202.

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