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A New Day in Wisconsin

Potential is now great for local leaders to make change

**Statement of Alderman Khalif J. Rainey
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Today is a new day in Wisconsin. It is a new day with new leadership that will assume the helm in the Governor's office very soon. Voters, in a massive turnout, in the City of Milwaukee and Milwaukee County voted overwhelmingly for a new leader.

While there has been a concerted effort, especially in recent years, to devalue the City of Milwaukee and Milwaukee County, our galvanized electorate has shown how much of a true power we are. By exercising our right to vote, we found empowerment in the face of demoralizing policies such as lifting the Milwaukee residency requirement and eviscerating the power and pay of the County Board.

The election results also present a great opportunity for my fellow City and County elected officials. Not only can we possibly begin to roll back these punitive measures, but also address major disparity issues such as a minimum wage increase.

Additionally, as the City's net contributions to state coffers far exceed what we receive in return, it is past due time to reform our shared revenue system.

Indeed it is a new day in Wisconsin.

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