



José G. Pérez
City of Milwaukee Common Council

Alderman Pérez elected Common Council President

Statement of Common Council President José G. Pérez
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I would like to thank my colleagues for today's vote of confidence in selecting me as the next President of the Common Council. That I am the first Latino to hold this title is not lost on me, and I am grateful for this opportunity. I did not get here alone, and I look forward to my time as president being defined by hope, collaboration and building a great future for our city. As a body, the Council is always stronger when we work together, and that is true now more than ever.

As the child of Puerto Rican immigrants and a lifelong resident of the near south side, I know firsthand the divisions that still exist in our community. As Council President, I will prioritize uniting our city as we strive to create an inclusive community that is welcoming and beneficial to all residents. Our constituents deserve nothing less.

We must continue to address the issues of violence, fiscal sustainability, and neighborhood development, among other issues, and as President I am willing to work with anyone who has ideas about how to build a better Milwaukee.

Our city has an immense opportunity before it. As Milwaukee has changed over time, so too has its leadership. As part of this new leadership, I am looking forward to working every day to ensure that as a city we are on the path to greater success and prosperity.

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