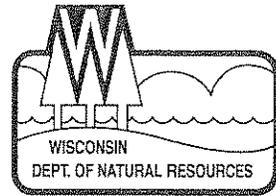


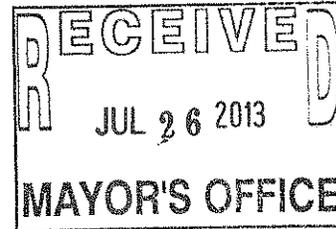
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July 16, 2013

Mayor Don Merkes
City of Menasha
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Subject: Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council Reappointment

Dear Don:

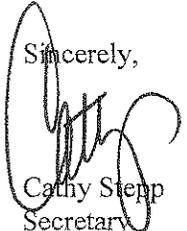
I am writing to invite you to continue serving on the Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council. As you know, the purpose of the Council is to advise the Department of Natural Resources and the Wisconsin State Forester on the best ways to preserve, protect, expand, and improve Wisconsin's urban and community forest resources. The experience and expertise you have brought to the Council has benefited not only the Department, but Wisconsin's natural resources as well. I would like to continue that relationship.

You will serve as an elected official representative and your term will expire on June 30, 2016. Re-appointment will be considered at that time. Please advise me if you are unable to accept this appointment.

Laura Wyatt, Urban Forestry Council Liaison, is the Department's contact for the Council. Should you have any questions, she can be reached at the above address, at laura.wyatt@wi.gov or by phone at (608) 267-0568.

Thank you for your continued willingness to serve. I am looking forward to a long and productive partnership between the Department and the Urban Forestry Council.

Sincerely,


Cathy Stepp
Secretary

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R. Roe
L. Wyatt