July 3, 2007

Honorable Members of the West Allis Common Council City Hall West Allis, Wisconsin

Dear Council Members:

I am herewith reappointing Mr. Laurence Richlen as a member of the West Allis Electrical Review Board. He serves as the Licensed Contractor Representative, and his two-year term will expire on May 31, 2009. Please note that Mr. Richlen is reappointed pursuant to Section 2.47 of the City of West Allis Revised Municipal Code pertaining to limitation on consecutive terms for members of Boards and Commissions.

Mr. Richlen resides at 5131 Russell Drive, Greendale, with his wife Yvonne. They are the parents of two sons. Mr. Richlen was raised and educated in Milwaukee. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1966-1969, with training as an Electrician's Mate. He also served in the U.S. Submarine Service with duty in Vietnam. He received an Honorable Discharge and attained the rank of 2nd Class Petty Officer.

Mr. Richlen is the sole owner of Future Electric, Inc., formed in November 1978. The business moved to West Allis in February 1984 and is located at 1427 South 81st Street. Previously, Mr. Richlen served a State approved Indentured Electrical Apprenticeship from 1969-1973. He also served an apprenticeship under Franzell Electric, Atlas Electric, and Roman Electric.

Mr. Richlen held forty-one electrical contractors licenses prior to the adoption of the Wisconsin State Master Electricians Certificate. Licenses were held in the entire metro Milwaukee area and other areas of the State. He wrote the Wisconsin State Master Electrician exam in July 1986 and passed. (This was the first time the exam was available to take.) Mr. Richlen is a member of NECA (National Electrical Contractors Association), Milwaukee Chapter.

Your confirmation of this reappointment will be appreciated by the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Jeannette Bell, Mayor

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