



SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL PARK DISTRICT

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Statement from Don Smiley, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District ("Miller Park District")

Today, March 10, 2020, the Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District Board voted unanimously (13-0) to approve a resolution to certify the end of the 0.1% Miller Park sales tax. The certification to end the Miller Park sales tax will now be turned over to the Wisconsin Department of Revenue for final implementation.

Twenty-five years ago, the Wisconsin legislature created Act 56 establishing the roadmap for the planning, design, construction and operation of the public / private venture that became known as Miller Park. The enabling legislation established a 0.1% sales tax in five southeastern Wisconsin counties. Those counties include Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Washington and Waukesha. The District sales tax funded the public sector's share of the Miller Park facility. The Miller Park District Board of Directors, made up of members from each of the five counties, represents and protects the public's interests in the ballpark project.

On behalf of the public sector, the District Board will continue its oversight function moving forward, throughout the original year 2030 lease term with the Brewers and throughout any lease extensions, potentially through year 2040.

The District Board wishes to commend and thank all current and former Board Members involved for their steadfast commitment and leadership in making Miller Park a reality over the years, from the earliest days of planning, design and construction, to every opening day since under the retractable roof. Most of all, the District Board would like to thank the taxpayers and the best fans in baseball. With their support, we continue to enjoy one of the greatest ballparks in the country.