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## <u>POLL</u>: Two-thirds of Wisconsin Voters Support Bipartisan Solution to Save MLB in Wisconsin

## Brewers are viewed favorably by a vast majority of Wisconsinites

**MILWAUKEE** – A new poll prepared for VISIT Milwaukee and the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce (MMAC) released today shows that two-thirds (66%) of likely Wisconsin voters agree that Governor Evers and Republicans in the Legislature must work together to come up with a solution to the funding shortfall at American Family Field. That includes an overwhelming majority of Republicans (64%), Democrats (74%), and Independents (60%).

"Major League Baseball and a multi-dimensional stadium uniquely enhance the region's livability," said **Tim Sheehy, president of MMAC**. "In a world where recruiting and retaining talent is a challenge for employers, the Brewers are an asset on our balance sheet and one worthy of continued investment."

"The Milwaukee Brewers and American Family Field are a critical part of our tourism economy, drawing millions of attendees each year and driving spending at hospitality businesses far outside the ballpark. As an essential part of our identity as a sports destination and a source of civic pride, their impact is felt beyond baseball," says **Peggy Williams-Smith, president and CEO of VISIT Milwaukee**. "This poll affirms VISIT Milwaukee's position that there must be a bipartisan solution that keeps the team and American Family Field in Milwaukee for generations to come."

Read the polling memo here.

The poll, conducted by The Tarrance Group, shows that 73% of voters have a positive impression of the Milwaukee Brewers. As part of the poll, voters were also told, "there is a proposal in the state legislature to cover this shortfall with a combination of funding from the state of Wisconsin, the regional Stadium District, and the Brewers organization jointly paying for these improvements." A fifty-eight percent (58%) majority of voters support this proposal. That majority support stretches across Republicans (57%), Independents (52%), and Democrats (63%) alike.

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