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**Progressive Dane Organizes Protest of Community Input
*PD Leader Plans to Protest Outside of Public Input Form Tonight***

(MADISON) – In the face of an effort to hold a public input forum on the proposed loitering ordinance later tonight, Progressive Dane co-chair Lisa Subeck has been organizing a protest outside of the room where the meeting is to be held. “I am disappointed, but not surprised, that Progressive Dane would organize a protest of a community input forum. Opposing efforts to have the public discuss policy ideas that you disagree with is the hallmark of political extremism,” said Michael Quigley, CSC Executive Director.

The Common Sense Coalition and Alder Tim Bruer have organized a public meeting to start a community dialogue about what can be done to improve a Madison loitering ordinance to create a proper balance between protecting civil liberties and promoting public safety. “I only wish that Progressive Dane would put the same effort into keeping drug dealers out of neighborhoods as they do to opposing people discussing solutions to the problem. Madison deserves better,” finished Quigley.

The public input meeting will be held Wednesday August 30th at 6pm at the Villager Mall on 2234 S. Park St. All interested persons are encouraged to attend.

The Common Sense Coalition is a non-partisan, diverse, public policy group comprised of individuals, community leaders, small business owners and 17 organized labor unions representing building and construction trades, police officers, and fire fighters. The group

has organized around taking common sense approaches to governing, economic development and providing “jobs, justice and a brighter future.”

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