

BY THE COMMON COUNCIL

Resolution commending Martin T. “Marty” Matson for his distinguished service to the City of Milwaukee as Comptroller and congratulating him on his retirement.

WHEREAS,

MARTIN T. “MARTY” MATSON

was elected Milwaukee City Comptroller in April 2012 and served with pride and dedication for two consecutive terms, retiring with distinction after 27 years of service to the City of Milwaukee; and

WHEREAS, *Comptroller Martin T. “Marty” Matson served the City of Milwaukee faithfully since March 29, 1993, working first in the Department of Public Works, and subsequently with the Employees’ Retirement System of the City of Milwaukee, rising to Deputy Director, and was then elected City Comptroller in 2012 and served for two terms in that office, with his final day of service being April 21, 2020; and*

WHEREAS, *Comptroller Matson served with great distinction as a Trustee of the Employees’ Retirement System from April 2012 until his retirement in April 2020, serving as chair of the Administration and Operations Committee for several years and as chair of the Annuity and Pension Board from January 2018 until January 2020, and faithfully and conscientiously discharged his duty to solely represent the interests of all the members and beneficiaries of the system during his tenure of office; and*

WHEREAS, *Comptroller Matson’s deep knowledge of the Employees’ Retirement System and pension benefits enabled him to make numerous valuable contributions to the Annuity and Pension Board and the successful operation of the Employees’ Retirement System, and especially his work establishing the Milwaukee Employees’ Retirement Information Technology System (MERITS); and*

WHEREAS, *Under state statute and city charter, Mr. Matson exercised fiscal control over the activities of approximately 50 city departments and agencies, and during his tenure he served as a critical “third house” of city government, protecting with great care the city’s overall fiscal health; and*

WHEREAS, *Comptroller Martin T. Matson served on the Investment Committee of the Annuity and Pension Board throughout his tenure as a Trustee assisting in the development of the Employees’ Retirement System’s Strategic Asset Allocation Policy which has generated hundreds of millions of dollars of long-term excess returns for the exclusive benefit of the System’s members and beneficiaries, and exhibited the courage, discipline and skill necessary to preserve the Board’s Investment Policy in the aftermath of the Global Financial Crisis of 2008 and helped guide the System safely through perilous times with a steady and able hand; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith commends City Comptroller Martin T. “Marty” Matson on the occasion of his retirement and departure from public service, thanks him for his outstanding service to the people of the City of Milwaukee, and wishes for him and his family a happy, healthy and successful future; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Martin T. “Marty” Matson, a dedicated and outstanding public official.*

Introduced and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 27, 2020: Michael J. Murphy, Mark A. Borkowski, Ashanti Hamilton, Cavalier Johnson, Nik Kovac, Robert J. Bauman, Nikiya Dodd, Milele A. Coggs, Khalif J. Rainey, JoCasta Zamarripa, Chantia Lewis, José G. Pérez, Scott Spiker, Marina Dimitrijevic and Russell W. Stamper, II.