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Resolution congratulating Efrain and Leo Lara on their selection as the 2016 Manufacturing Business of the Year by the Latino Entrepreneurial Network of Southeastern Wisconsin, Inc.

WHEREAS,

EFRAIN AND LEO LARA

were selected as 2016 Manufacturing Business of the Year by the Latino Entrepreneurial Network of Southeastern Wisconsin, Inc., and were honored during LEN's Entrepreneurial Celebration Exito Awards on November 12, 2016 at the Oak Creek Community Center, 8580 S. Howell Ave.; and

WHEREAS, *Both born in Mexico and now raising their families in Milwaukee, Efrain and Leo Lara hold pivotal roles at Lara Associates LLC, with Efrain serving as President and Leo as the Operation and Support Manager; and*

WHEREAS, *Efrain Lara purchased Lara Associates LLC in 2013 after working with the former owner for two years, and as the current leaders of the company, Efrain and Leo are committed to the betterment of the community they live and to the betterment of their workforce; and*

WHEREAS, *Lara Associates now LLC employs over 15 people in Milwaukee and is thriving with growing sales; and*

WHEREAS, *Founded in 2005, LEN has grown to 300 members and has served 600 people in the Milwaukee area, and Efrain and Leo Lara's contributions to the organization and the community have benefitted both; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Efrain and Leo Lara on being selected as the 2016 Contractors of the Year, commends them for their achievements and accomplishments and wishes for them continued success in all their endeavors; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Efrain and Leo Lara.*

Introduced by Common Council members Ashanti Hamilton, José G. Pérez, Milele A. Coggs, Jim Bohl, Mark A. Borkowski and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 22, 2016.