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*Resolution congratulating Gina Bianchi on her recognition as Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques (Knight in the Order of the Academic Palms).*

**WHEREAS,**

## **GINA BIANCHI**

*was named Knight in the Order of the Academic Palms by the French Minister of National Education and was presented with the award at a ceremony on December 20, 2016 at the Milwaukee French Immersion School, 2360 N. 52<sup>nd</sup> St. ; and*

***WHEREAS,** Gina Bianchi, principal of the Milwaukee French Immersion School, has consistently promoted French language and culture through her teaching in the Milwaukee area and speaking French almost flawlessly; and*

***WHEREAS,** Gina Bianchi's energy and commitment to her students – children who otherwise would not be exposed to French language and culture – truly makes a difference in Milwaukee Public Schools; and*

***WHEREAS,** The Order of the Academic Palms, established in 1808 by Emperor Napoléon, is a national order of France for distinguished academics and figures in culture and education who work to expand French language and culture throughout the world; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Gina Bianchi on her selection for the Knight in the Order of the Academic Palms and extends to her its sincere wishes for her continued success and happiness; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Gina Bianchi in recognition of this award.*

*Introduced by Common Council members Michael J. Murphy, José G. Pérez, Milele A. Coggs, Ashanti Hamilton, Mark A. Borkowski, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Jim Bohl, Russell W. Stamper, II, Cavalier Johnson and Terry L. Witkowski and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on December 13, 2016.*