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*Resolution congratulating James L. Merchant on his retirement from the Milwaukee Fire Department.*

**WHEREAS,**

**JAMES L. MERCHANT**

*retired with pride and satisfaction as a fire lieutenant on February 26, 2013 after more than 24 years of dedicated service to the city and the Milwaukee Fire Department; and*

***WHEREAS,** James L. Merchant richly and justly earned the enduring praise and gratitude of his family, friends, coworkers and the community at large for his dedication and service to the City of Milwaukee and the Milwaukee Fire Department; and*

***WHEREAS,** James L. Merchant gained and displayed expertise through his work, performed with confidence and skill during his employment, completely meeting the challenges of his responsibilities as a fire lieutenant during his lengthy term of service to the City of Milwaukee and the Milwaukee Fire Department; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates James L. Merchant on his retirement from the Milwaukee Fire Department, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community for his exemplary service, and wishes for him a happy and healthy retirement; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to James L. Merchant, an exemplary employee.*

***Introduced by Common Council members Jim Bohl, Joe Dudzik, Tony Zielinski, Terry L. Witkowski, Michael J. Murphy, Nik Kovac, Milele A. Coggs, Robert G. Donovan, Robert W. Puente, Ashanti Hamilton and José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on April 9, 2013.***