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Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Peter Gerasopoulos.

WHEREAS,

PETER GERASOPOULOS

passed from this life on February 28, 2024 at the age of 88 and services were held for family and friends on March 10 at Max A. Sass & Sons Greenridge Chapel, 4747 S. 60th St., Greenfield, WI, and on March 11 at SS Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 2106 N. Wauwatosa, Ave, Wauwatosa, WI; and

WHEREAS, *Peter Gerasopoulos was born in 1935 in Dasilion, Greece, to parents Vasilios and Eleni Gerasopoulos, and in 1956, emigrated to Milwaukee, and soon thereafter, opened his first store, Cobbler Shoe Service, on Clement Ave. in Bay View; and*

WHEREAS, *Known as “Pete the Cobbler” to his many friends and customers, Peter Gerasopoulos and Cobbler Shoe Service served the Milwaukee area for over 50 years, moving to several locations over the years including to the Point Loomis Shopping Center and a shop on 8th St. and Oklahoma Ave., and provided shoe services to several Milwaukee mayors, policemen, and firefighters, as well as to the Milwaukee Ballet and former Archbishop Timothy Dolan; and*

WHEREAS, *A true craftsman, Peter Gerasopoulos was proud of his work and his ability to repair almost anything and worked tirelessly alongside his beloved wife, Judy, six days a week before retiring in 2018, and throughout his career, was especially grateful for the relationships he developed with his multigenerational customer base, and though spending many hours in his shop, always made time for his family and friends, and especially enjoyed attending his grandchildren’s games; and*

WHEREAS, *Peter Gerasopoulos is survived by his children, Eleni (Jim) Zemlyak and William Gerasopoulos, grandchildren, Peter (Erin Kenton), Luke (Bridget Seery), and John, brother and sister in-law, Taki and Frieda Gerasopoulos, and sisters Aristoula (the late Tom) Skodras, and Laki and Diane Binelas and the late Morfou Gerasopoulos, and many other close relatives and friends; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith offers its sincere condolences to the family and friends of Peter Gerasopoulos, who will be remembered fondly for his hard work, dedication, and love of his family, friends, and many customers; and be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of the resolution be presented to the family of Peter Gerasopoulos.*

Introduced by Common Council members Marina Dimitrijevic, JoCasta Zamarripa, Milele A. Coggs, Larresa Taylor, Russell W. Stamper, II, Andrea M. Pratt, Scott Spiker, Mark A. Borkowski, Khalif J. Rainey, Mark Chambers, Jr., Jonathan Brostoff, Robert J. Bauman, Lamont Westmoreland, Michael J. Murphy, and José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 19, 2024.