BY THE COMMON COUNCIL

Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Thomas B. "Tom" Krajna.

WHEREAS,

THOMAS B. "TOM" KRAJNA

passed from this life on March 17, 2016, at the age of 84, and a memorial service was held on March 24, 2016 at Wisconsin Memorial Park, Chapel of the Chimes, 13235 W. Capitol Dr., Brookfield; and

WHEREAS, Thomas B. "Tom" Krajna was born on June 20, 1931 to Anton and Margaret, the youngest of four children, a Boy Scout, and graduate of Riverside High School, and he took several courses at Milwaukee School of Engineering before enlisting in the 101st Airborne, 29th Regimental Combat Team with the U.S. Army Air Corps based in Okinawa, Japan and serving in the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Thomas B. "Tom" Krajna returned to Milwaukee after his military service, and worked at the Wisconsin Electric Company, and joined the Milwaukee Fire Department in 1960 and had a distinguished career, retiring in 1990, and several of his family members also followed in his footsteps and served in the Milwaukee Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Tom met the love of his life, Lucy Geline, through mutual friends in the Riverwest neighborhood, and they soon decided they wanted to build a family together and got married in 1969, and he became father to her four young children: Ralph, Karen, Gregg, and Brian, and later they added Tony and Annmarie, and they all managed to visit 38 states together, sometimes even bringing local children from the neighborhood with them; and

WHEREAS, Tom had many hobbies to keep him busy, including recycling, hunting, fishing and often coming home a winner from wagering at Potawatomi Bingo Casino, and he was an avid local sports fan of the Braves and later the Brewers and the Green Bay Packers, and he also was a phenomenal greeting card giver always adding his own distinct personal touch to each and every one; and

WHEREAS, Thomas B. "Tom" Krajna is survived by his beloved wife Lucy, children Ralph, Karen, Gregg, Brian, Tony and Annie, a host of grandchildren and a few greatgrandchildren, and many other loving relatives and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Thomas B. "Tom" Krajna and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine man; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Thomas B. "Tom" Krajna.

Introduced and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 29, 2016: members Nik Kovac, Robert J. Bauman, Robert G. Donovan, Jim Bohl, Ashanti

Hamilton, Russell W. Stamper II, Joe Davis, Sr., Tony Zielinski, José Pérez, Milele A. Coggs, Michael J. Murphy, Terry L. Witkowski and Mark A. Borkowski.