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Resolution congratulating Gene and Gladys Manzanet and family as the 2019 Hispanic Family of the Year by United Migrant Opportunity Services.

WHEREAS,

GENE AND GLADYS MANZANET AND FAMILY

were selected as the 2019 Hispanic Family of the Year by United Migrant Opportunity Services, and were honored during UMOS's 39th annual Hispanic Awards Banquet on October 19, 2019 at Potawatomi Hotel and Casino; and

WHEREAS, *Gene Manzanet served eight years in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve and today he serves as the vice president sales manager of community lending at US Bank, and Gene is also involved in multiple non-profit boards and advisory councils throughout the city including, Zilber Neighborhood Initiative for Clarke Square, Employ Milwaukee and Menomonee Valley Partners; and*

WHEREAS, *Gene Manzanet served as chairman of Journey House Center for more than 10 years, and his efforts helped secure over \$20 million for Journey House's new community center which serves 8,400 youth and families a year, and he is currently pursuing his Ph.D. at Cardinal Stritch University; and*

WHEREAS, *Gladys Manzanet is a senior field marketing integration manager, growth markets, at Northwestern Mutual and has helped families grow and protect their wealth for the last four years, and she is also the co-founder and President-Elect of the Latino Veteran's Legacy of Valor Foundation, where she executes the foundation's mission to honor the sacrifices of local Latino veterans with a permanent memorial on Milwaukee's Lakefront; and*

WHEREAS, *Gladys Manzanet also serves on the TransCenter for Youth board, the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts Board, and is a member of the Hispanic Collaborative and St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Parish Finance Committee; and*

WHEREAS, *Gene and Gladys Manzanet's true passion is raising their four children, where Gabriel is an electrical engineering student at MATC, with a focus on alternative energy sources, Mateo has been featured in several Brewers Foundation marketing pieces, Manny is destined to make his mark in filmmaking and theater, and according to Gene and Gladys, their daughter Malia will one day rule the world; and*

WHEREAS, *The UMOS Hispanic Awards honor the contributions of Wisconsin Hispanics to their communities, and the Manzanets are an outstanding example of a family that is making a positive impact on the lives of others; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Gene and Gladys Manzanet and family on being selected as the 2019 Hispanic Family of the Year, commends them for their achievements and accomplishments, and wishes for the family a happy, healthy and successful future; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Gene and Gladys Manzanet and family.*

Introduced by Common Council members José G. Perez, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Scott Spiker, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 5, 2019.