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*Resolution congratulating Johnny Lee Odom on the honor bestowed to him by the Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club on the occasion of its 14<sup>th</sup> annual Negro Leagues Tribute event on June 7, 2019.*

**WHEREAS,**

## **JOHNNY LEE ODOM**

*was honored during the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Negro Leagues Tribute event on June 7, 2019 at Miller Park during the Brewers – Pirates game, on a day devoted to honoring the great players of the Negro Leagues; and*

***WHEREAS,** Johnny Lee Odom was born in Macon, Georgia and lettered in baseball, basketball, football and track; and*

***WHEREAS,** Johnny Lee Odom was nicknamed ‘Blue Moon’ and had an astonishing 42-2 pitching record, including eight no hitters; and*

***WHEREAS,** Johnny Lee Odom started his professional career with the Birmingham Barons and went on to play for the Kansas City/Oakland Athletics, Cleveland Indians and Atlanta Braves; and*

***WHEREAS,** Johnny Lee Odom ended his career in 1977 after appearing in three World Series; and*

***WHEREAS,** The Brewers have honored dozens of Negro League players to date and the annual event will include installation ceremonies for the two newest members of the Wall of Fame at Holy Redeemer Church of God In Christ and a tribute to the inductees prior to the Milwaukee Brewers match up against the Pirates; and*

***WHEREAS,** For his invaluable contributions to baseball, Johnny Lee Odom will have his name placed on a permanent display in the Yesterday’s Negro League Hall of Fame, located at Mother Kathryn Daniels Conference Center in Milwaukee; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Johnny Lee Odom on the honor bestowed to him by the Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club on the occasion of its 14<sup>th</sup> annual Negro Leagues Tribute event, thanks him on behalf of the community for his many contributions to baseball and wishes him continued health and happiness; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Johnny Lee Odom.*

***Introduced by Common Council members Russell W. Stamper, II, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 18, 2019.***