

BY ALDS. HAMILTON, BOHL, PÉREZ, COGGS, BORWKOWSKI, STAMPER

Resolution recognizing and congratulating George Harris, Jr. on the occasion of his 80th birthday.

WHEREAS,

GEORGE HARRIS, JR.

celebrated his 80th birthday on November 28, 2016 and a Gala Celebration Luncheon was held on November 26, 2016 ; and

***WHEREAS,** George Harris, Jr. was born to George Willie, Sr. and Mattie Lou Harris in Drew, Mississippi, and even as a child, he held a strong entrepreneurial spirit, learning landscaping skills from his father which would prove to help him start his business later in life; and*

***WHEREAS,** George Harris, Jr. moved to Wisconsin in 1972 and continued working with his father's landscaping business, but formally started George Harris Trucking in 1983 and was named one of the first African American members of the International Operators Unions of Wisconsin; and*

***WHEREAS,** George Harris Trucking provides excavation, demolition, hauling and trucking to and from construction sites in many city, county and state projects, including highway and local road construction, GMIA renovation projects, Milwaukee Metro Sewage District Projects, various hotel construction sites and numerous other projects in Milwaukee, Racine, Kenosha, Washington and Waukesha counties; and*

***WHEREAS,** George Harris, Jr. has dedicated 44 years of service to Christ Temple Church of God in Christ, where he has been a deacon for 25 years and a Trustee Board Member for more than 20 years; now, therefore be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates George Harris, Jr. on the occasion of his 80th birthday and extends to her its sincere wishes for her continued health and happiness; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to George Harris, Jr. in recognition of his 80th birthday.*

Introduced by Common Council members Ashanti Hamilton, José G. Pérez, Milele A. Cogg, Mark A. Borkowski, Cavalier Johnson and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 22, 2016.