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*Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Martha Louise Hicks.*

**WHEREAS,**

**MARTHA LOUISE HICKS**

*passed from this life on December 31, 2016 at the age of 94, and funeral services were held on January 9, 2017 at Calvary Baptist Church 2959 N. Teutonia Ave.; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Martha Louise Hicks was born on December 8, 1922, to the union of Henry and Nener Halyard in Bamberg, South Carolina, received her formal education in Denmark, South Carolina, graduating from Voorhees High School and Voorhees College, where she received an Associate Degree in Home Economics, and she accepted Christ at an early age and was united with Union Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. Rice in Bamberg, South Carolina; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Martha Louise Halyard and Johnnie Hicks, Sr. were united in holy matrimony on December 27, 1941, and to this union two children were born, Johnnie Hicks, Jr. and Barbara Ann Hicks; and*

**WHEREAS,** *In 1946, Martha and Johnnie relocated to Richmond, Virginia, and in January 1948, they relocated to Milwaukee, where the Hicks family joined Calvary Baptist Church (under the leadership of the late Rev. Melvin J. Battles); and*

**WHEREAS,** *At Calvary Baptist Church, Martha was a faithful church member, serving as a Deaconess, Sunday School Teacher and as a member on numerous boards, and she also became a member of Sarah's Joy Chapter #8 O. E. S., where she served as a Past Worthy Matron; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Martha worked at the County Hospital as a nurse assistant, and later enrolled at UW-Milwaukee to further her education, and while attending college, she worked as a para professional in Milwaukee Public Schools, and she received a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education in 1972, and she retired from MPS in 1996; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Martha Louise Hicks leaves to cherish her memory her son, Johnnie Hicks, Jr., four grandchildren, Lisa (Mark) Moschetto of Boynton Beach, Florida, Diamond Suggs, Johnnie Hicks, III of Madison, Devon Chambliss of Minneapolis, and a host of other loving relatives and special 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 Martha Louise Hicks and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine woman; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Martha Louise Hicks.*

**Introduced by Common Council members Russell W. Stamper, II, Milele A. Coggs, Jim Bohl, José G. Pérez, Mark A. Borkowski, Chantia Lewis, Cavalier Johnson, Terry L. Witkowski and**

*Khalif J. Rainey and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on January 18, 2017.*