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Resolution recognizing and congratulating the First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee on the 50th anniversary of the Sunday Forum.

WHEREAS,

FIRST UNITARIAN SOCIETY OF MILWAUKEE

celebrated the 50th Anniversary of continuous offering of the Sunday Forum, on January 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, *The Sunday Forum at the First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee was established on January 18, 1970, with presenter Bud Selig, 9th Commissioner of Baseball, speaking on the question, “Will Major League Sports Survive in Milwaukee?”; and*

WHEREAS, *During its history the Sunday Forum has built a legacy of quality programming and dialogue through direct connections with local leaders, organizers, business people, non-profit directors, area specialists, professors, dedicated hobbyists, and creative artists; and*

WHEREAS, *The Sunday Forum welcomes congregational members, friends, family and Milwaukee residents, offering the opportunity for building connections between neighbors and communities, and it has demonstrated dedication to living Unitarian Universalist principles, in particular: inherent worth and dignity of every person; justice, equity and compassion in human relations; and the free and responsible search for truth and meaning; and*

WHEREAS, *The Sunday Forum encourages open discussions, inquiry, integrity, learning, dialogue, lively debate and respect for differences of views and opinions, all qualities valued as much now as 50 years ago; and*

WHEREAS, *Members and friends of the First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee have demonstrated dedication and commitment to inviting and welcoming a variety of speakers as well as addressing topics that address a variety of concerns; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes the First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Sunday Forum, and thanks it for this valuable dialogue initiative and for its many other important contributions to the community; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee.*

Introduced by Common Council members Nik Kovac, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Cavalier Johnson, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Scott Spiker, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on January 21, 2020.