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Resolution recognizing Joyce A. Hall for her contributions to Milwaukee students and the community.

WHEREAS,

JOYCE A. HALL

was honored for her decades of service and contributions to Milwaukee students and the community during a special ceremony naming the George Washington Carver Academy 'Joyce A. Hall Library' on December 10, 2021; and

WHEREAS, *Joyce A. Hall taught in the Milwaukee Public Schools as a reading teacher for more than 36 years, including about six years at 5th Street School and the remaining at Henry L. Palmer Elementary School, now called George Washington Carver Academy; and*

WHEREAS, *Joyce Hall retired in 1994 from MPS and almost immediately started serving as a volunteer reading tutor at Carver, working with students twice per week, and she served in that capacity for 24 years, stepping away at age 88 in January 2020; and*

WHEREAS, *A member of Delta Sigma Theta, Joyce Hall has been described by her sorority: "She quietly helps others with little fanfare and no expectation of recognition. It simply warms her heart to give back and help others. Teaching and caring for elementary students has always been a passion of Soror Hall"; and*

WHEREAS, *When Joyce Hall is out in the community or at events, former students thank her for her love and kindness in teaching them, and principals and teachers comment on her genuine and unconditional support and listening ear; and*

WHEREAS, *Joyce Hall was once the meal program coordinator at St. Benedict the Moor, and Delta Sigma Theta, St. Benedict the Moor, and Greater Milwaukee Urban League are donating new and softly used books to the Joyce A. Hall Library at Carver; and*

WHEREAS, *Joyce A. Hall has received numerous honors over the years, including special recognition by MPS Board of School Directors and superintendent at an MPS board meeting in October 2018, Black Excellence Award from the Milwaukee Times in 2011, and being selected as Delta of the Year in 2006; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes Joyce A. Hall's contributions and positive impact as a teacher and volunteer in the City of Milwaukee, and extends for her its sincere wishes for continued prosperity and happiness; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Joyce A. Hall, an outstanding citizen.*

Introduced by Common Council members Cavalier Johnson, Milele A. Coggs, Ashanti Hamilton, Khalif J. Rainey, Scott Spiker, Nikiya Dodd, Mark A. Borkowski, Russell W. Stamper, II, José G. Pérez and Chantia Lewis and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on December 14, 2021.