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Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Barbara E. McCann, who passed from this life on April 26, 2017.

WHEREAS,

BARBARA E. McCANN

passed from this life on April 26, 2017 and a funeral Mass was held on May 1, 2017 at the San Camillo Chapel in Wauwatosa; and

WHEREAS, *Barbara E. McCann was born on September 26, 1935, in Chicago, the first child of John H. and Helen (Nee Swiech) Schmoll, and graduated from Chicago's Farragut High School in 1952 and entered the Marquette University School of Journalism at the age of 16; and*

WHEREAS, *Barbara received a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism in 1956 at Marquette and worked for the Kalmbach Publishing Co. and Channel 12 as a news writer before joining the Milwaukee Journal in 1959; and*

WHEREAS, *Barbara was a society reporter and then society editor before beginning general news reporting in 1963, and from 1963 until 1971 she reported on a variety of issues and persons including welfare, the federal anti-poverty program, the NAACP Youth Council, open housing marches, and Fr. James Groppi, and in 1964 she traveled with the Milwaukee Journal news team covering the Republican National Convention in San Francisco and the Democratic National Convention in Atlantic City; and*

WHEREAS, *Barbara married the love of her life, E. Michael McCann, on October 16, 1970, and looking to start a family, she resigned from full-time reporting in 1971 but continued to write occasional stories and served for several years as a children's book editor, and in 1990, she joined the staff of the Pius XI High School communications team and created the Pius XI Holiday Peace Market, and with her retirement in 2000, the school established the Barbara E. McCann Award and presents it annually to a graduating senior who exemplifies service in the community to persons in need; and*

WHEREAS, *Barbara served on several non-profit boards including Notre Dame Middle School, Nativity Jesuit Middle School, Pius XI High School, Catholic Social Services, Sojourner Truth and the Catholic Herald Advisory Board, and she also served on the Gesu Parish Council and in 2000, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee awarded Barbara the Vatican II Award for Excellence in Communications; and*

WHEREAS, *Barbara McCann leaves to cherish her memory her beloved husband, E. Michael McCann, daughter Sarah, son Michael, her beloved granddaughters Alexandra and Katherine, as well as a host of loving relatives and 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 Barbara E. McCann, recognizes her lasting impact on the community and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine, upstanding woman; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Barbara E. McCann.*

Introduced by Common Council members Michael J. Murphy, Milele A. Coggs, Khalif J. Rainey, Ashanti Hamilton, Jim Bohl, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis and Cavalier Johnson and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 9, 2017.