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Resolution recognizing Brighter Days at City Hall on June 12, 2020.

WHEREAS,

BRIGHTER DAYS

is a song created by artists from the Milwaukee Coalition Against Hate as an initiative to fight against injustice and was honored during a special event at City Hall on June 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, *Milwaukee County is one of the most segregated counties in the United States; and*

WHEREAS, *The Milwaukee Coalition Against Hate provided the talents of MZ Joni Love, Seize the Emcee, GIGI Boone-Frazier Young, Shane Ashton, Rodney “Kumkani” Davis, Pamela Holmes, Chris Camacho, Regena Allen-Wilson, Helen Unchu, and Pastor Dion Austin in creating the song “Brighter Days” to promote the cause of the coalition in focusing on stopping racism, prejudice, and extreme inequalities; and*

WHEREAS, *The Milwaukee Coalition Against Hate works together to make the City of Milwaukee a safer place for everyone to live, and together, they gain strength for this vital work through faith, art and respect, and they believe inclusion and collective efforts will prevail over hate; and*

WHEREAS, *The Milwaukee Coalition Against Hate created a unity song called “Brighter Days” as an opportunity for our community to join voices and make an impact in Milwaukee to change the narrative and negative climate in the city and beyond; and*

WHEREAS, *The Milwaukee Coalition Against Hate is urging the recognition of June 12th and every year going forward as Brighter Days Day, and encourages Milwaukee schools, students, parents, recreation programs, religious institutions, and community organizations to engage in a variety of awareness and prevention activities designed to make our communities safer for all residents of Milwaukee; and*

WHEREAS, *The Milwaukee Coalition Against Hate and the song “Brighter Days” is a necessary initiative in light of the current economic crisis, COVID-19 pandemic, and the fight against injustices that have been foremost in the minds of Milwaukee residents; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes the Milwaukee Coalition Against Hate and “Brighter Days” for actively fighting for justice in Milwaukee; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Milwaukee Coalition Against Hate.*

Introduced by Common Council members Cavalier Johnson, Mark A. Borkowski, Khalif J. Rainey, José G. Pérez, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Chantia Lewis, Scott Spiker and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 16, 2020.