

BY ALD. DUDZIK

Resolution congratulating Barbara Lyons on her retirement from Wisconsin Right to Life.

WHEREAS,

BARBARA LYONS

stepped down with pride and satisfaction as the executive director of Wisconsin Right to Life on July 1, 2014 after many years of dedicated service; and

***WHEREAS,** Barbara Lyons dedicated 40 years to Wisconsin Right to Life, and her political savvy and hard work helped turn the organization into one of the nation's most powerful anti-abortion groups; and*

***WHEREAS,** Barbara Lyons volunteered as president of the Milwaukee County chapter for three years, until she became legislative director of Wisconsin Right to Life in 1977, and was promoted to executive director in 1987; and*

***WHEREAS,** Since 1980, Wisconsin's abortion numbers have dropped by more than 73 percent since its peak in 1980, and Barbara Lyons fought not only abortion, but also doctor-prescribed suicide and euthanasia; and*

***WHEREAS,** Barbara Lyons richly and justly earned the enduring praise, respect and gratitude of her coworkers, friends, family and the community at large for her dedication and service to Wisconsin Right to Life, and leaves a memorable legacy; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Barbara Lyons on her retirement from Wisconsin Right to Life, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community, and wishes for her a happy and healthy retirement; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Barbara Lyons.*

Introduced by Common Council member Joe Dudzik and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 24, 2014.