

Resolution recognizing The Next Bar on its one-year anniversary.

WHEREAS,

THE NEXT BAR

celebrated one year in business at 1732 E. North Ave. with a special event on Friday, June 12; and

WHEREAS, *The Next Bar, owned by Milwaukee native Alex Edwards, opened on June 14, 2025, and since its opening, the establishment has become a neighborhood gathering spot where community members can enjoy good drinks, music, sports, and other entertainment; and*

WHEREAS, *The Next Bar has received numerous acknowledgments in its first year of business, including by East Side Milwaukee BID #20 during Black History Month for its strong presence as a Black-owned business, and by the Shepherd Express, which complimented them on the work they've done to uplift Black culture through their events and signature menu offerings; and*

WHEREAS, *The Next Bar continues to uplift its community by hosting open mic nights, karaoke, and other events, such as birthday parties, with the goal of celebrating others in a safe, intimate environment; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes The Next Bar and owner Alex Edwards on its first anniversary of doing business on Milwaukee's East Side, and wishes the business continued success in fulfilling its mission; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Alex Edwards.*

Introduced by Common Council members Alex Brower, Mark Chambers, Jr., Larresa Taylor, José G. Pérez, JoCasta Zamarripa, Milele A. Coggs, Scott Spiker, DiAndre Jackson, Andrea M. Pratt, Peter Burgelis, Robert J. Bauman, Lamont Westmoreland and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 23, 2026.