

BY ALDS. HAMILTON, COGGS, PEREZ, STAMPER, BORKOWSKI, WITKOWSKI, LEWIS, RAINEY, JOHNSON

Resolution expressing condolences to the friends and family of Mother Artaska King.

WHEREAS,

MOTHER ARTASKA KING

entered into eternal life at the age of 94 on August 30, 2018, and home-going services were held on September 8, 2018 at Holy Redeemer Institutional Church of God In Christ, 3500 W. Mother Daniels Way; and

WHEREAS, *Artaska Utsey was born the only child of her parents, Violet and Rev. J. H. Utsey, on May 4, 1924 and was raised in a rural farming community by her mother and grandmother; and*

WHEREAS, *Through the early years, Mother King – a devoted member of the Church of God In Christ – served her Church in various capacities and held different offices including Maintenance Engineer, Teacher, Traveling Evangelist, Soloist, and Transportation Specialist, and she was honored by the International Church of God in Christ Sunshine Band for her outstanding service of more than 35 years, and she sponsored a youth summer retreat for 10 years to Green Lake, Wisconsin Conference and Resort for children who would otherwise not have a vacation experience; and*

WHEREAS, *Mother King and her late husband, Deacon Kalob King (to whom she was married nearly 41 years) hosted a radio show for more than 25 years on station WNOV in Milwaukee called “Hide me in Your Word,” and in addition to working at American Motors Corporation for more than 30 years, she also raised her daughter, Helena; and*

WHEREAS, *Mother Artaska King gave much to others in love and service, including service under the auspicious leadership of Bishop J.C. Williams, prelate of the Third Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Wisconsin C.O.G.I.C., service with Supervisor Anne N. Scott as Assistant Jurisdictional Supervisor, and later as the Jurisdictional Supervisor; and*

WHEREAS, *As Supervisor, Mother Artaska King served for several years with Supervisor Martha Walker as Co-Chairperson of the International COGIC Women’s Department Advisory Board, and also served as its Chairperson for more than 10 years; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the friends and family of Mother Artaska King, and hereby honors her for her dedication to her family and community, and be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mother Artaska King.*

Introduced by Common Council members Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey and Cavalier Johnson and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 25, 2018.