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Resolution recognizing LaRoyce Hawkins on his participation as a featured guest speaker during Bronzeville Week 2025 and commending his accomplishments as an actor, spoken word artist, and cultural figure

WHEREAS.

LAROYCE HAWKINS

Was the featured the speaker for the Bronzeville Week event Feel the Culture: An Intimate Conversation with LaRoyce Hawkins on August 9, 2025 at Bronzeville Kitchen & Lounge; and

WHEREAS, LaRoyce Hawkins, born in Harvey, Illinois, is an American actor, stand-up comedian, spoken word artist, and musician who stars as Officer Kevin Atwater in NBC's long-running police drama Chicago P.D., now in its twelfth season, and has appeared in other hit shows including Chicago Fire, Chicago Med, Detroit 1-8-7, Underemployed, Ballers, and South Side; and

WHEREAS, Hawkins began his film career with roles in The Express: The Ernie Davis Story and Tyler Perry's House of Payne, and has since appeared in impactful projects such as Canal Street, Hope Springs Eternal, and The Killing of Kenneth Chamberlain, where he portrayed Kenneth Chamberlain Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Beyond his acting career, Hawkins is a powerful storyteller, poet, and father who uses every opportunity to uplift and inspire others through art, authenticity, and message-driven performance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates LaRoyce Hawkins on his participation in Bronzeville Week 2025 and extends its appreciation for sharing his journey with the Milwaukee community and wishes him continued success and impact in all future endeavors; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to LaRoyce Hawkins

Introduced by Common Council members Milele A. Coggs, Larresa Taylor, Marina Dimitrijevic, Scott Spiker, Lamont Westmoreland, Alex Brower, Mark Chambers, Jr., José G. Pérez, Robert Bauman, Andrea M. Pratt, JoCasta Zamarripa, Sharlen P. Moore, and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 2, 2025.