

ALD. COGGS

*Resolution congratulating Rob Baker for achieving a doctorate in history from UCLA.*

**WHEREAS,**

**ROB “BIKO” BAKER**

*received his doctorate in history from UCLA in May of 2013; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Rob Baker is the Executive Director of the League of Young Voters, and a nationally recognized leader; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Rob Baker is a pioneer in running city-level, data-driven voter turnout campaigns that dramatically increase the voter participation of urban citizens; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Rob Baker serves on CIRCLE’s research advisory board and is a board member of the New Organizing Institute; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Rob Baker is a well known communicator around elections, as well as cultural and political issues including gun violence and voting rights; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Rob Baker has made several appearances on C-Span, Fox News and CNN; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Rob Baker is a powerful and popular speaker, and has interviewed luminaries including Cornel West, Russell Simmons and Howard Dean; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Rob Baker has been on panels with many of the nation’s strongest progressive voices; therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Milwaukee City Council congratulates Rob Baker on attaining his doctorate in history from UCLA; and be it*

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

***Introduced by Common Council member Milele A. Coggs and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on July 2, 2013.***