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Resolution celebrating the historical landmark dedication for Humboldt Park.

WHEREAS,

HUMBOLDT PARK

was designated a historical landmark by the Bay View Historical Society during a special celebration held June 28, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt Park was created in 1890 as one of the five original public parks on land purchased from two landowners, and was known as South Park for 10 years until it was renamed in 1900 for Prussian scientist and explorer Alexander Von Humboldt; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt Park has grown and evolved since its creation, including the addition of a red granite memorial to Bay View residents who died in World War I in 1921, the addition of 27.5 acres in 1922, the construction of a bandshell in 1932 that was later rebuilt after a fire, and the addition of The Vine in 2014, among other developments and improvements; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt Park, with its scenic lagoon, provides a sanctuary for relaxation and rejuvenation of body, mind and spirit where birds and wildlife add to the idyllic setting, and as a 73+ acre park within an urban setting, Humboldt Park provides a green space which is an accessible alternative to the concrete jungle; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt Park has long been a community staple, providing recreational opportunities such as fishing, tennis, baseball, biking, running, and walking, with ice skating, sledding and hockey in winter, and serves as a place where people can socialize, with options such as playgrounds and a wading pool for children, and the park plays host to numerous community-centric events throughout the year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its pride in Humboldt Park, and joins the Bay View Historical Society in recognizing the historical importance of his vibrant public space; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Bay View Historical Society.

Introduced by Common Council members Marina Dimitrijevic, Andrea M. Pratt, Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez, Robert Bauman, Mark Chambers, Jr., Lamont Westmoreland, JoCasta Zamarripa, Sharlen P. Moore, Scott Spiker, Alex Brower and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on July 15, 2025.