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Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Gregory V. "Greg" Konz-Krzyminski who passed from this life on November 7, 2021.

WHEREAS.

GREGORY V. "GREG" KONZ-KRZYMINSKI

passed from this life on November 7, 2021 and a Mass of Christian Burial was held on November 12, 2021 at The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, 812 N. Jackson St.; and

WHEREAS, Gregory Krzyminski was born on July 7, 1946, into a large South Chicago Polish Catholic family, and came to Milwaukee in the mid-1960s to study at Marquette University (where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree), and with Cathleen Bourdon, served as an educator in Ethiopia with the Peace Corps for three years, and later earned a Master's Degree from UW-Milwaukee where he also served as an Academic Advisor; and

WHEREAS, Greg enrolled in apprenticeship training through the Chef's Apprentice Certification program at Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC), and his love of education took him to a career in Wisconsin Rapids at Mid-State Technical College as Hospitality Instructor, Director of Culinary Arts Program, and Multicultural Services, and touched countless lives during this career and remained connected with many of his students including those in Ethiopia and Wisconsin Rapids; and

WHEREAS, Greg was a talented and enthusiastic actor, director, stage manager and supporter of theater – especially at Wisconsin Rapids Community Theater – and he served on the board of Milwaukee's Boulevard Theater, was a founding Member of Galano Club of Milwaukee (a 12-Step Recovery Club especially for LGBT persons and allies) and was a Board member of the former SAGE/Milwaukee—a LGBT senior support organization; and

WHEREAS, Greg and Raymond met in the early 1980s, fell deeply in love, and, both being strong advocates of marriage equality, decided to proclaim their relationship and commitment after 20 years with a Blessing Ceremony in 2003 that was written about in the New York Times Society Section, and they were married at Christ and St. Stephen's Church in New York City on November 12, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Greg was the loving husband of Raymond Konz-Krzyminski, cherished father of Jill (Charles) Stanton and Jeffrey Krzyminski and precious Baba to Eleanor Rose Stanton, and will be remembered with love by a host of other loving relatives and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith offers its sincere condolences to the family of Gregory V. "Greg" Konz-Krzyminski, and mourns the passing of this talented and gifted man; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Gregory V. "Greg" Konz-Krzyminski.

Introduced by Common Council members JoCasta Zamarripa, Khalif J. Rainey, Milele A. Coggs, Cavalier Johnson, Scott Spiker, Nikiya Dodd, Mark A. Borkowski, Ashanti Hamilton, Russell W. Stamper, II, José G. Pérez and Chantia Lewis and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 23, 2021.