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Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Berry Birts.

WHEREAS,

BERRY BIRTS

passed from this life on May 31, 2026, at the age of 82, and services were held for family and friends on June 11, 2026, at Northside Church of God, 4858 N. 19th St.; and

WHEREAS, *Berry Birts was born August 4, 1943, in Milwaukee, WI, as the sixth child of his family, who received his formal education in the Milwaukee Public School System, and graduated from North Division High School before attending Grambling State University on a basketball scholarship, and later graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Madison; and*

WHEREAS, *Berry Birts biggest passion in life was his family and friends and being a servant to others, and was truly one of the kindest souls you could ever meet who carried himself with a calm and gentle spirit, never raising his voice or seeking conflict; and*

WHEREAS, *Berry Birts loved connecting with others, whether through his infectious smile, a joke, or simply taking the time to speak with someone, and had a very special way of making everyone feel seen through his sense of humor, his laughter, and his personality that would brighten any room; and*

WHEREAS, *Berry Birts had a great love of God, and began his Christian journey at St. Mark A.M.E. Church, and during his later years, he became a faithful member of Northside Church of God, where he was also known for his love of sports, listening to jazz and classical music, and gathering with friends and family; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith offers its sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Berry Birts and mourns the passing of this loving and upstanding man; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Berry Birts.*

Introduced by Common Council members Russell W. Stamper, II, José G. Pérez, JoCasta Zamarripa, Milele A. Coggs, Scott Spiker, Larresa Taylor, Sharlen P. Moore, Andrea M. Pratt, Peter Burgelis, Mark Chambers, Jr., Robert Bauman, and Lamont Westmoreland, and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 23, 2026.