BY ALD. WADE

Resolution recognizing Bishop LeHarve Buck on his retirement from Triumph the Church and Kingdom of God and Christ.

WHEREAS,

BISHOP LEHARVE BUCK

retired with pride and satisfaction from his years of distinguished work and ministry at Triumph the Church and Kingdom of God and Christ with a celebration at the Brown Deer Boat House, 7835 N. Green Bay Rd., on July 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Bishop LeHarve Buck was born in Jackson, Miss., one of eight children to bless his parents, and moved to Milwaukee at the tender age of seven months, growing up in the city that he would quickly come to think of as home; and

WHEREAS, Marrying Barbara Buck on June 10, 1964, Bishop LeHarve Buck dedicated himself to his family and his community, raising two sons and one daughter, serving his country in the Vietnam War, owning and operating several successful businesses and using his success to better the lives of those less fortunate; and

WHEREAS, Hearing a spiritual call to serve, Bishop LeHarve Buck led his church community as an assistant shepherd for 27 years, a shepherd for 15 years and bishop of the fifth district for six years; and

WHEREAS, Co-founder of the Milwaukee Fatherhood Collaborative and considered a father figure by many, Bishop LeHarve Buck has helped young men throughout the City of Milwaukee through mentorships, faith-based programs and nonprofit organizations, dedicating himself to the "change of men" and believing in people's inner strength and faith to overcome the impossible; and

WHEREAS, His efforts as a mentor and humanitarian recognized throughout the community, Bishop LeHarve Buck has been honored with numerous awards, including the Milwaukee Times' Black Excellence Award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Bishop LeHarve Buck on his retirement from Triumph the Church and Kingdom of God and Christ, and wishes for him a happy and healthy future; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Bishop LeHarve Buck.

Introduced by Common Council member Willie C. Wade and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on July 23, 2013.