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Resolution recognizing and congratulating Omar Shaikh for his service as board chair of VISIT Milwaukee.

WHEREAS,

OMAR SHAIKH

was honored for his service as board chair of VISIT Milwaukee on July 28, 2021 during the VISIT Milwaukee Annual Meeting in the Miller High Life Theatre; and

WHEREAS, *Omar Shaikh served as board chair of VISIT Milwaukee and is a member of the Wisconsin Center District Board of Directors; and*

WHEREAS, *Omar Shaikh was one of the leading advocates to get approval for the long-awaited expansion of the convention center, which will greatly benefit hotels, restaurants and retailers throughout southeastern Wisconsin; and*

WHEREAS, *Omar Shaikh is an advocate for the community and serves as chairman of the Milwaukee Kitchen Cabinet, which has put together the 'Three Days of Christmas' initiative for the past several years to provide holiday meals and gifts for non-profit groups; and*

WHEREAS, *Omar Shaikh and his wife, Connie, have been leaders in raising money for the area's nonprofits and community groups, serving as co-chairs for several record-breaking fundraisers, including the Harry & Rose Sampson Jewish Community Center's KidShare and Sharp Literacy's 'A Novel Event'; and*

WHEREAS, *Omar Shaikh, a graduate of Cardinal Stritch University with a degree in International Business (2000) serves on the Cardinal Stritch University Business Advisory Board; and*

WHEREAS, *Omar Shaikh is actively involved in Wisconsin-based community and tourism organizations including Sharp Literacy, the WI Athletic Hall of Fame, JCC's KidShare event, Sojourner Truth House, and Donald Driver's Driven to Achieve; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes Omar Shaikh for his dedicated service as board chair of VISIT Milwaukee, thanks him for his distinguished contributions and service, and wishes him continued prosperity and good health; and, be it*

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

Introduced by Common Council Members Robert J. Bauman, Cavalier Johnson, Milele A. Coggs, Scott Spiker, Nikiya Dodd, Mark A. Borkowski, Ashanti Hamilton, Russell W. Stamper, II, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis and Khalif J. Rainey and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on July 7, 2021.