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Resolution Recognizing November 20, 2018 as “Indian Council for the Elders Day.”

WHEREAS,

NATIVE ORGANIZATIONS OF MILWAUKEE AND WISCONSIN TRIBES

Celebrated Native American Heritage Month during a special ceremony at Milwaukee’s Historic City Hall on November 20, 2018; and

WHEREAS, *The Milwaukee Area has long been a cross-roads for American Indian peoples and has a large, active American Indian population for which Native American organizations, tribal foundations, and corporations, and tribal elder and youth groups are contributors to the health and well-being of American Indian community; and*

WHEREAS, *The Indian Council of the Elderly, Inc. (ICE), the Elder’s and Youth Programs of the Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center (GLIHC), Indian Community School of Milwaukee, Inc. (ICS), Indian Summer Inc., Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS), Spotted Eagle, Inc., United Indians of Milwaukee, Inc., and Wisconsin Pink Shawl Initiative are essential to the overall health and well-being of American Indian families and the community; and*

WHEREAS, *The Elder’s and Youth Programs in the Greater Milwaukee area serve as a diverse group of tribal members, and holds strong community-partnerships and alliances with other non-profit organizations, groups, corporations, government entities and tribes of Wisconsin to ensure proper care and attention is given to the Wisdom Keepers and Youth of our Native American community; and*

WHEREAS, *The health and mental health systems in the Greater Milwaukee area must continue to collaborate health/mental providers, public policy makers and information technology to improve care and information dissemination among the diverse cultural groups within the community that serve Elders; and*

WHEREAS, *The continued support and improvement of services for our Elders and Youth depends on outreach to community, public and private partnerships to develop policies which reduce barriers to accessing education, social services, and mental health services and health-care; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes November 20, 2018 as “Indian Council for the Elders Day,” thanks The Indian Council of the Elderly for its many years of service and outstanding contributions to the community and wishes it many more years of success; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to The Indian Council of the Elderly.*

Introduced by Common Council members José G. Pérez, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Michael J. Murphy and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 27, 2018.

