

BY THE COMMON COUNCIL

Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Annette Polly Williams, who passed from this life on November 9, 2014.

WHEREAS,

ANNETTE POLLY WILLIAMS

passed from this life at the age of 77 on November 9, 2014, and a funeral service was held on Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at Parklawn Assembly of God, 3725 N. Sherman Blvd.; and

WHEREAS, *Annette Polly Williams was the longest-serving woman in Wisconsin's Legislature, serving in the Assembly for an astounding three decades; and*

WHEREAS, *As a school choice trailblazer, Annette Polly Williams was credited with helping create Wisconsin's school choice program in 1989, and she also established the African American Education Council, an organization to give black residents a voice and to reform Milwaukee Public Schools; and*

WHEREAS, *Annette Polly Williams, a devoted legislator, was recognized for her leadership roles in reforming education and helping African-American children living in poverty; and*

WHEREAS, *Annette Polly Williams was a loving mother of Winston III, Mildred, Kimberly and Krystal, caring sister of James Wade and is survived by seven grandchildren, one great-grandchild and a host of loving relatives and friends; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Annette Polly Williams and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine woman; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Annette Polly Williams.*

Introduced and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 25, 2014: Milele A. Coggs, Michael J. Murphy, Ashanti Hamilton, Joe Davis, Sr., Nik Kovac, Robert J. Bauman, Jim Bohl, Willie C. Wade, Robert G. Donovan, Robert W. Puente, Joe Dudzik, José G. Pérez, Terry L. Witkowski, Tony Zielinski and Russell W. Stamper, II.