BY ALD. PEREZ

Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Maria Cruz Sánchez de Gómez, who passed from this life on January 19, 2014.

WHEREAS,

MARIA CRUZ SÁNCHEZ DE GÓMEZ

passed from this life at the age of 81 on January 19, 2014, and a Mass of Christian Burial was held on January 23, 2014 at St. Anthony's Church, 1711 S. 9th St.; and

WHEREAS, Maria Cruz Sánchez de Gómez was born to Panfilo and Lucadia Sánchez on May 2, 1932 in León, Guanajuato, Mexico, and married her "Honey" Moisés Gómez on May 8, 1952; and

WHEREAS, Upon her arrival in Milwaukee, she became a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe, because it was the only church that served the Hispanic Community at the time, and she later became a member of St. Anthony's Church; and

WHEREAS, Maria Cruz, who became a U.S. citizen in 1996, made a sacrifice to travel with her children every year to León, Guanajuato, Mexico so her children appreciate and maintain their heritage, their culture and traditions; and

WHEREAS, Maria Cruz was the beloved and devoted mother of Ismael, Moisés, Olivia, Rogelio, Marivel, and Silvia, the loving "Ota Mama" of Michael, Moisés, Elena, Manuel, José Ángel, Olivia, Maricela, Verónica, and Enrique and the dearest Great-Ota Mama of Elizabeth, Alex and Marisol; and

WHEREAS, Maria Cruz was an outstanding person who made people laugh, was a wonderful friend and devoted her life to her family, husband, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren with unconditional love; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Maria Cruz Sánchez de Gómez 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 Maria Cruz Sánchez de Gómez.

Introduced by Common Council member José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on February 11, 2014.