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Resolution recognizing Michael Rosen for 29 years of teaching at MATC and serving on the Executive Board of AFT Local 212.

WHEREAS,

MICHAEL ROSEN

retired with pride and satisfaction as a member of the Executive Board of AFT Local 212 and as a distinguished Professor of Economics during May 2017 after 29 years of dedicated service to the Milwaukee Area Technical College, and a special celebration was held in his honor at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center Hotel, 509 W. Wisconsin Ave., on May 25, 2017; and

WHEREAS, *Michael Rosen received his bachelor's degree in History from UW-Madison, and later earned both master's and doctoral degrees at UW-Milwaukee; and*

WHEREAS, *Michael Rosen served as an inspiring Professor of Economics for 29 years at Milwaukee Area Technical College, and was a member of AFT Local 212 for 29 years, including 17 as President, making him the longest-serving President in Local 212's history, and during his tenure, he sought out what was best for his students and consistently saved academic and occupational programs, as well as student labs and services from being cut by short-sighted administrators at MATC; and*

WHEREAS, *Michael Rosen helped develop a plan that would put people back to work after American Motors/Chrysler abandoned its factory in Riverwest and that plan laid the foundation for the Riverworks Industrial Center and two Business Improvement Districts – Riverworks (BID #25) and Riverworks II (BID #36); and*

WHEREAS, *Michael Rosen gave back to the community in many ways, including to the city's youth as a dedicated soccer coach and manager for the Verdi Vikings where he developed both future college soccer players and fine young men; and*

WHEREAS, *Michael Rosen dedicated his professional life to improving the struggle of working people in Wisconsin and educating students from the City of Milwaukee so that they have the skills to become leaders in the City of Milwaukee; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Michael Rosen on his retirement from MATC and Local 212, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community, and wishes for him a happy and healthy retirement; and, be it*

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

Introduced by Common Council members Nik Kovac, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Robert J. Bauman, Jim Bohl, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey and Cavalier Johnson and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 31, 2017.