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Resolution recognizing National Infertility Awareness Week.

WHEREAS,

NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

is being proclaimed in the City of Milwaukee to be April 21-27, 2024; and

WHEREAS, According to the CDC, 1 in 7 women have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, The World Health Organization and American Medical Association define infertility as a disease; and

WHEREAS, Infertility affects women and men equally and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status or socioeconomic level; and

WHEREAS, Some people become infertile due to a medical treatment for another condition, most often chemotherapy or radiation for cancer; and

WHEREAS, Family building options include adoption and medical treatment, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party reproduction; and

WHEREAS, Cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for many in our city to access the family building option they need; and

WHEREAS, Raising awareness of infertility and the barriers faced by the family building community is the first step to removing these barriers; and

WHEREAS, the city of Milwaukee joins RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association, and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of the infertility and family building community by participating in this promotion; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee does hereby proclaim April 21-27, 2024 as National Infertility Awareness Week.

Introduced by Common Council members Marina Dimitrijevic, Mark A. Borkowski, Lamont Westmoreland, Khalif J. Rainey, Scott Spiker, Larresa Taylor, Mark Chambers, Jr., Jonathan Brostoff, Robert J. Bauman, Milele A. Coggs, JoCasta Zamarripa, José G. Pérez, Andrea M. Pratt, and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on April 9, 2024.

