

BY ALDS. PUENTE, BORKOWSKI, BOHL, COGGS, PEREZ

Resolution recognizing Lamb of God Baptist Church on its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**WHEREAS,**

**LAMB OF GOD BAPTIST CHURCH**

celebrated its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary during a special event held on March 13, 2016 at 8415 W. Bradley Rd.; and

**WHEREAS,** The origins of the current Lamb of God Baptist Church community began March 4, 1956 at the original location at 2916 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St., in the home of the Reverend J.A. Lathan; and

**WHEREAS,** They needed to expand to accommodate their burgeoning flock and a year later on January 14, 1957 they marched from their first to their second location at 2710 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St.; and

**WHEREAS,** In 1981, Reverend J.A. Lathan was no longer able to continue his ministry due to his health, and Reverend Lawrence E. Presley became the temporary pastor and later it became his permanent position; and

**WHEREAS,** On December 10, 1990 Pastor Presley and the congregation purchased a new sanctuary at 8415 W. Bradley Rd., and they traveled to their new house of worship from the old one together; and

**WHEREAS,** The church membership grew so rapidly the need for a bigger worship space was evident, and on October 17, 1993 they broke ground to expand their house of worship; and

**WHEREAS,** On November 5, 2003 the congregation together burned the mortgage and after this symbolic gesture of freedom from usury the church continued to grow, under the stewardship of Reverend Christopher R. Boston they have rebranded, and added other programs, the Little Lambs Nursery, the Good Mourning Ministry, Kingdom Kids Ministry, Marriage Ministry, Dance Ministry, and the monoLOG Ministry, and they are also online and began the Lamblink Newsletter; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Lamb of God Baptist Church on its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, extends its best wishes and thanks it for its many positive contributions to the community over the years; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Lamb of God Baptist Church.

**Introduced by Common Council members Robert W. Puente, Mark A. Borkowski, Jim Bohl, Milele A. Coggs and José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 1, 2016.**

