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Resolution congratulating Anthony Rainey on his retirement

WHEREAS,

ANTHONY RAINEY

*retired in March 2023 after a decades-long career as a tool and die maker and later a union organizer;
and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey, a lifelong resident of Milwaukee and a product of Milwaukee Public Schools, graduated in 1976 from North Division High School, and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey after completing an apprenticeship with Leberfinger Tool & Die, embarked on a career as a tool and die maker at Master Lock Co in 1988 where he continued to work for more than 20 years, and became a member of the union of United Auto Workers (UAW) local 469 with which he served as a member of many committees thereof including the civil rights committee, the political action committee, the community action committee, the community service committee, the skilled trades committee, and the apprenticeship committee; and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey, during his tenure with the UAW local 469 chapter, served in several positions of leadership, including as the chapter's recording secretary and later as the chapter's first African-American president; and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey's leadership eventually transcended the local UAW chapter as he later became an international servicing representative, the skilled trades coordinator, and the Civil & Human Rights Coordinator for UAW Region 4; and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey volunteered his time and expertise serving on the Milwaukee Area Technical College Apprenticeship Advisory Committee and the Wisconsin State Apprenticeship Advisory Committee for Tool & Die, Machinists for 16 and 14 years, respectively; and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey was a member of the executive board and later the co-chair of the Wisconsin Regional Training Partnership/Building Industry Group & Skilled Trades Employment Program (WRTP/BIGSTEP); and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey was an executive board member of the Milwaukee Area Labor Council from 2006 to 2014 as well as the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO from 2018 to 2022; and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey was also a devoted member of many additional labor organizations including the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists, the A. Philip Randolph Institute, and the Coalition of Labor Union Women as well as being a Silver life member of the NAACP; and*

WHEREAS, *Anthony Rainey has remained a steadfast advocate of labor dedicate to uplifting his community in the city of Milwaukee and beyond; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Anthony Rainey on his retirements, 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 the resolution be presented to Anthony Rainey, an outstanding employee.

Introduced by Common Council members Khalif J. Rainey, Mark Chambers, Jr., Jonathan Brostoff, Robert J. Bauman, Milele A. Coggs, JoCasta Zamarripa, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Scott Spiker, Russell W. Stamper, II, and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on February 28, 2023