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*Resolution expressing condolences to the family of Bishop Sedgwick Daniels who passed from life on November 13, 2023.*

**WHEREAS,**

## **BISHOP SEDGWICK DANIELS**

*passed from this life on November 12, 2023 at the age of 64 years, and a home-going celebration was held on November 20, 2023 at Holy Redeemer Institutional Church of God In Christ, 3500 W. Mother Daniels Way; and*

***WHEREAS,** Bishop and Pastor Sedgwick Daniels was born the second youngest of eight children on August 16, 1959 in Milwaukee to John and Kathleen Daniels, and he grew up attending West Side Church of God in Christ in Milwaukee alongside his parents; and*

***WHEREAS,** Sedgwick Daniels became City of Milwaukee Plan Commissioner and the first Protestant board member of the Catholic Central City Schools, and joined Antonio Riley and the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority on several projects, assisting in developing a housing complex for seniors and nurturing Milwaukee home ownership; and*

***WHEREAS,** In 2001, Sedgwick Daniels was elevated to the role of Bishop by Bishop Gilbert E. Patterson and the Church of God in Christ General Board, and Bishop Daniels' jurisdiction covered more than 105 Institutional Church of God churches in Wisconsin and northern Illinois, and since his elevation as the prelate for Wisconsin First, the jurisdiction has grown from 39 congregations to more than 100 churches and ministries; and*

***WHEREAS,** During Bishop Sedgwick Daniels' tenure as Bishop, his own church, Holy Redeemer Institutional Church of God In Christ, became a multi-million dollar operation that addressed both the educational and social service needs in the Milwaukee community, and in 2008 Bishop Daniels was consecrated as a General Board Member in the Church Of God In Christ under the leadership of Presiding Bishop Charles E. Blake Sr. and re-elected in 2012 as a General Board Member; and*

***WHEREAS,** Although Bishop Daniels successfully addressed many global and community challenges, his contemporaries applaud his godly humility, enormous personal sacrifice, and motivational philosophy that embody his testimony, which simply affirmed to that "There is nothing too hard for God!"; and*

***WHEREAS,** Bishop Daniels was preceded in death by sister Hattie Daniels-Rush and is survived by his siblings John Daniels Jr. and Valerie Daniels-Carter, and leaves to cherish his memory many other loving family members, friends, and untold numbers of worshipful church members; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith offers its sincere condolences to the family members and friends of Bishop Sedgwick Daniels and mourns the passing of this fine, upstanding leader and man; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Bishop Sedgwick Daniels.*

*Introduced by Common Council members Andrea M. Pratt, Mark Chambers, Jr., Russell W. Stamper, II, Jonathan Brostoff, Robert J. Bauman, Lamont Westmoreland, Milele A. Coggs, Khalif J. Rainey, JoCasta Zamarripa, Larresa Taylor, Michael J. Murphy, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Scott Spiker, and Marina Dimitrijevic and approved by all council members on November 21, 2023.*