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*Resolution congratulating Becky Peelen on her retirement and 37 years of success operating Becky's Custom Sewing and Design.*

**WHEREAS,**

## **BECKY PEELLEN**

*retired with pride and satisfaction after 37 years of owning and operating Becky's Custom Sewing and Design, and the occasion was marked with Becky's Block Party on Saturday, May 16, 2026; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Becky Peelen has had a needle and thread in her hand since she was five years old, and what started as an interest and hobby blossomed into a successful career as a seamstress in Milwaukee's Bay View neighborhood for more than three decades; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Becky Peelen has made and altered countless dresses for baptisms, proms, and weddings, has designed iconic looks for groups like the Milwaukee Dancing Grannies and Syrena Dancers, and has sought to cultivate an environment in her store of communication and collaboration that results in the perfect gown or costume; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Becky Peelen has been a pillar in the community since 1989, and often her customers note that they visit Becky not just to problem solve or assist with sewing, but to chat, tell stories, and connect over a shared experience, and while her talents will be missed, so too will her presence in the shop and in the neighborhood; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Becky Peelen on her retirement and successful career operating Becky's Custom Sewing and Design, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community, and wishes for her a happy and healthy retirement; and, be it*

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

**Introduced by Common Council members Marina Dimitrijevic, Mark Chambers, Jr., Sharlen P. Moore, Larresa Taylor, Alex Brower, Scott Spiker, Peter Burgelis, José G. Pérez, Robert J. Bauman, DiAndre Jackson, Lamont Westmoreland, Andrea M. Pratt, Milele A. Coggs, JoCasta Zamarripa, Russell W. Stamper, II, and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 2, 2026.**