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Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Radolph Nasir Matthews who passed from this life on October 23, 2018.

WHEREAS,

RADOLPH NASIR MATTHEWS

passed from this life at age 21 on October 23, 2018; and

WHEREAS, *Radolph Nasir Matthews was the eldest child of loving and proud parents Radolph Matthews Jr. and Daniela Sayas-Matthews, born on October 9, 1997, and was baptized at Ebenezer Church of God In Christ; and*

WHEREAS, *Radolph was named after his grandfather and father and "Nasir" came from the African tradition meaning "supporter, helper and protector" and "Umoja" meaning "unity"; and*

WHEREAS, *Radolph Nasir was on the honor roll during elementary, middle and high school, and graduated with honors from Grandview High School in 2015 (graduating a year earlier than his projected graduation date) and went on to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point to pursue a degree in psychology; and*

WHEREAS, *With the passing of his mother, Daniela, in 2012, and a serious medical condition recently limiting the abilities of his father, Radolph Nasir assumed the role of 'head of household' and prime role model and confidante to his younger siblings, and he embraced the family tradition of volunteerism, volunteering each year at the Dr. Martin L. King Back to School Festival (side by side with his Dad, Mom and family members), and he was raised in church attending weekly services, participating in the Sunshine Choir and other church related activities with his Great Grandmother Mother Lois Watts and his brothers, sister and cousins; and*

WHEREAS, *Radolph Nasir was caring and thoughtful, which led him to become a mentor assistant with Affinity HealthCare, a rewarding line of work where his gregarious personality and fun sense of humor was well received and a joy to be around; and*

WHEREAS, *Family was very important to Radolph Nasir, and he established close bonds with his Grandfather, aunts and uncles, and cousins; and*

WHEREAS, *Radolph Nasir leaves to cherish his memory his father Radolph, siblings Nile, N'kya, and Naim, as well as a host of loving relatives and friends; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Radolph Nasir Matthews, and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine young man; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Radolph Nasir Matthews.*

Introduced by Common Council members Milele A. Coggs, Ashanti Hamilton, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey and Cavalier Johnson and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 5, 2018.