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Resolution congratulating the Historic Third Ward Association on its 50th anniversary.

WHEREAS,

THE HISTORIC THIRD WARD ASSOCIATION

celebrated 50 years of community, creativity, and connection in Milwaukee's warehouse district on April 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, *The Historic Third Ward Association was established in 1976 and since its founding has worked to preserve the district's historic character while revitalizing the area into one of the Midwest's premier mixed-use neighborhoods, welcoming new generations of entrepreneurs, residents, and visitors; and*

WHEREAS, *The Historic Third Ward Association began as a collaboration of civic leaders, business owners, and residents who rallied together to oppose the city's proposed plan to designate the then declining area an official 'red light' district in the 1970s and promoted a grassroots vision to foster the district's growth and evolution; and*

WHEREAS, *Since its founding, the organization has led marketing initiatives, supported small businesses, enhanced streetscapes, and activated public spaces, including the development of the Riverwalk and opening of the beloved Milwaukee Public Market, which shaped the district's authentic identity; and*

WHEREAS, *The Historic Third Ward Association's collective effort has preserved and developed a thriving hub for arts, culture, dining, shopping, and urban living for the past 50 years and remains focused on strengthening the community and supporting local businesses to ensure innovation; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates the Historic Third Ward Association on its 50th anniversary, recognizes the organization for its leadership and positive contributions to Milwaukee, and extends its wishes for continued success and prosperity; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Historic Third Ward Association in recognition of its 50th anniversary.*

Introduced by Common Council members Robert Bauman, José G. Pérez, Milele A. Coggs, DiAndre Jackson, Sharlen P. Moore, Andrea M. Pratt, Mark Chambers, Jr., Lamont Westmoreland, JoCasta Zamarripa, Scott Spiker, Laressa Taylor, Alex Brower, and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on April 21, 2026.