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Resolution recognizing Roberto Torres Navarro for bringing his immersive art experience to Milwaukee for Dia de los Muertos.

WHEREAS,

ROBERTO TORRES NAVARRO

worked to transform Flores Hall at 2997 S. 20th St. into a vibrant space that showcases Dia de los Muertos and offers a one of a kind cultural experience; and

WHEREAS, Dia de los Muertos is a holiday that reunites the living and dead, and families create ofrendas (offerings) to honor their departed family members that have passed, and Mexican Fiesta worked to bring "OFRENDAS – Festival de los Muertos Tradición Viva!" to Milwaukee this year to celebrate the holiday; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Torres Navarro is a passionate advocate and ambassador for Mexican culture who is dedicated to sharing its rich heritage and traditions with the world, and in his role as Artistic Director of "OFRENDAS – Festival de los Muertos Tradición Viva!" he transforms spaces into unique cultural experiences for the benefit of the public; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Torres Navarro transformed Flores Hall on November 1 and 2 into a vibrant and enchanting space, showcasing the richness of Dia de los Muertos that included a candlelight ceremony, theatrical dance, community altar, and much more, and the event was entirely free and open to the public; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes Roberto Torres Navarro for his passion and dedication for sharing Hispanic culture, and bring a beautiful Dia de los Muertos event to Milwaukee; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of the resolution be presented to the Roberto Torres Navarro.

Introduced by Common Council members Scott Spiker, JoCasta Zamarripa, José G. Pérez, Lamont Westmoreland, Jonathan Brostoff, Andrea Pratt, Mark Chambers, Jr., Robert J. Bauman, Mark A. Borkowski, Milele A. Coggs Khalif J. Rainey, and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 21, 2023.