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Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Tazurdee “Lady Taz” Fortunato who passed from this life on August 29, 2020.

WHEREAS,

TAZURDEE “LADY TAZ” FORTUNATO

passed from this life at the age of 52 on August 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, *Tazurdee “Lady Taz” Fortunato was born November 28, 1977 as Tazurdee “Dee Dee” Curtain, and was a loving mother of three sons and one daughter; and*

WHEREAS, *Tazurdee “Lady Taz” Fortunato began singing at a young age in the Jesus Soul Saving Traveling Mission church choir, the family group “The Curtain Singers” and later formed the gospel group “God’s Favor”; and*

WHEREAS, *Tazurdee “Lady Taz” Fortunato graduated from Milwaukee High School of the Arts, and also graduated from Vici Beauty School in 2000 and started a career in cosmetology and quickly became a popular Milwaukee hair stylist; and*

WHEREAS, *Tazurdee “Lady Taz” Fortunato was one of the original artists to launch R&B LIVE Milwaukee in 2009, and also created a new genre of music in 2016 known as “Jamerican” music, which is considered “love music” with a twist of reggae, pop, hip-hop and soul; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Tazurdee “Lady Taz” Fortunato and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this upstanding woman; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Tazurdee “Lady Taz” Fortunato.*

Introduced by Common Council members Russell W. Stamper, II, José G. Pérez, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Mark A. Borkowski, Scott Spiker, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on December 15, 2020.