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*Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Paul Kohlbeck, who passed from this life on April 29, 2014.*

**WHEREAS,**

**PAUL KOHLBECK**

*passed from this life at the age of 78 on April 29, 2014 and a memorial celebration was held on May 7, 2014, at the South Shore Park Pavilion, 2900 S. Shore Dr.; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Paul Kohlbeck was born on January 22, 1936, to Raymond and Sylvia Kohlbeck, of Wentworth Avenue in the Milwaukee neighborhood of Bay View, and lived his entire life in Bay View; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Paul Kohlbeck married Bay View resident and his bride of 53 years, Barbara Brickhouse Kohlbeck, in 1961, and they resided in several Bay View homes, and until his death, Paul and Barbara lived in the house on South Shore Drive which had been her parents' home; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Paul and Barbara Kohlbeck raised Kate Kohlbeck (Joe) Griger of Pewaukee and Thom Kohlbeck (fiance Chris Houfek) of Germantown, and were the proud grandparents of Joe and Leslie Griger and Johnny, Alex and Colin Kohlbeck; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Paul Kohlbeck was educated at Fernwood Elementary School, Bay View High School, Marquette University, and graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee with a degree in education; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Paul Kohlbeck taught for 32 years at Fernwood Elementary School, thus helping to educate many hundreds of Bay View children, and making it impossible for him to go anywhere without being greeted by former students; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Paul Kohlbeck co-founded with, Audrey Quinsey, the Bay View Historical Society, which incorporated in 1979, and to this day numbers nearly 500 members; and Paul served in many positions in the Society, including President, Board Member, Committee Chair, artist, gift-giver and wise counselor; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Paul Kohlbeck was the nexus of "The Coffee Guys," a group of retired Bay View neighbors who met daily to discuss and resolve world issues and neighborhood challenges, and which provided an outlet for Paul's endless stories and jokes; now, therefore, be it*

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

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Paul Kohlbeck.*

**Introduced by Common Council members Tony Zielinski, Terry L. Witkowski, Michael J. Murphy, Nik Kovac, Mílele A. Coggs and José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 13, 2014.**