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Resolution congratulating Michelle L. (Hinton) Ford on receiving an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin.

WHEREAS,

MICHELLE L. (HINTON) FORD

received an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin on May 21, 2021, recognizing her years of leadership, philanthropy, and service that has positively impacted the City of Milwaukee and the metro area; and

WHEREAS, *Michelle L. (Hinton) Ford, director of Impact, Population Health and Well-Being at Alliance for Strong Families and Communities, holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Alverno College and an MBA from Cardinal Stritch University, where she served as an adjunct instructor in the College of Business and Management; and*

WHEREAS, *In her role with the Alliance for Strong Families and Communities, Michelle L. (Hinton) Ford helps position the Alliance and its Strategic Action Network as a central resource and authority to advance Population Well-Being research, through building organizational capacity to contract with the health industry, best practices, and necessary systems and respective policy change, and working with Alliance leadership and network organizations, she sets the Alliance's health agenda and priorities by identifying patterns in data and evidence to shape the Alliance's impact strategies and public policy agenda; and*

WHEREAS, *Previous to her work with the Alliance, Ms. Ford served as the Executive Director and CEO of the United Neighborhood Centers of Milwaukee (UNCOM), where she worked with Milwaukee settlement houses to foster the spirit of collaboration to strengthen communities through collective impact, and prior to that served in state and regional leadership roles with the American Cancer Society (ACS), including as the Director of Regional Corporate Relations, where she executed a region-based strategy for corporate account management; and*

WHEREAS, *Michelle L. (Hinton) Ford has also held other leadership positions at Aurora Health Care Foundation, Children's Health System, and the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee, successfully executing fundraising campaigns that generated millions of dollars and heading community engagement initiatives that positively impacted the lives of families and children in Milwaukee's urban communities and across southeast Wisconsin; and*

WHEREAS, *Michelle L. (Hinton) Ford serves as a national thought leader working on several advisory boards, including the Morehouse School of Medicine's National Resiliency Network and Camden Coalition's National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs, and is an active servant leader in the greater Milwaukee area and dedicates her time and talents to several local and national organizations including the Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc., African American Women's Fund, Milwaukee Rotary, and the Board of America's Black Holocaust Museum; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes and congratulates Michelle L. (Hinton) Ford on receiving an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin, and further extends its gratitude to her for her extraordinary leadership and for her unwavering dedication to the City of Milwaukee and its citizens; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Michelle L. (Hinton) Ford, an outstanding leader.*

Introduced by Common Council members Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Milele A. Coggs, Ashanti Hamilton, Cavalier Johnson, Scott Spiker, Nikiya Dodd, Mark A. Borkowski, Russell W. Stamper, II and José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 15, 2021.