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Resolution recognizing the successful run of La Perla, 734 S. 5th St.

WHEREAS,

LA PERLA

was founded in 1995 and closed its doors on July 16, 2016, ending a successful 21-year run as a pioneering S. 5th St. Mexican restaurant/cantina; and

***WHEREAS,** La Perla was opened in 1995 by Nick and JoAnne Anton and quickly drew customers from all over Milwaukee and the region to its cozy Walker's Point location at 5th and National; and*

***WHEREAS,** Over the years the Antons nurtured La Perla into a true Mexican dining destination, including its famous red chili pepper mechanical "bull," and the restaurant would eventually be expanded to additional buildings and two patios; and*

***WHEREAS,** The many signs and murals across Walker's Point and the area luring patrons to La Perla and its excellent Mexican cuisine helped also to spark a surge in dining interest and focus on S. 5th St., leading to the opening of other new restaurants, and Nick and JoAnne Anton are commended for their commitment to the business district and for their investments that not only brought customers, but also created much needed jobs; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes the successful and festive run of La Perla from 1995 to 2016, thanks and commends owners Nick and JoAnne Anton for their many contributions and accomplishments, and wishes them continued success and happiness; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Nick and JoAnne Anton.*

Introduced by Common Council members José G. Pérez, Robert G. Donovan, Jim Bohl, Mark A. Borkowski, Michael J. Murphy, Tony Zielinski, Milele A. Coggs, Nik Kovac, Russell W. Stamper, II, Terry L. Witkowski, Cavalier Johnson, Chantia Lewis and Khalif J. Rainey and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on July 26, 2016.