Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Francisco H. Arteaga, who passed from this life on May 12, 2013.

WHEREAS,

FRANCISCO H. ARTEAGA

passed from this life at the age of 88 on May 12, 2013, and services were held at Krause Funeral Home, 12401 W. National Ave., on May 16, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Born to a farm family in Mexico on October 4, 1924, Francisco H. Arteaga met the love of his life, his wife Concha, at the fair, and married her on November 15, 1945, bringing his family to Milwaukee in 1955 to begin a new life working at a tannery; and

WHEREAS, Though he himself had a limited formal education, Francisco H. Arteaga insisted that his eight children have a better life than he did, pushing them to complete their educations, striving to provide for his family by leaving the tannery to begin a career in real estate improvement and imparting the know-how he acquired to his children by bringing them along to help as he remodeled and resold properties; and

WHEREAS, Developing deep roots on Milwaukee's south side, Francisco H. Arteaga made many close friends in his dealings, and he also sold to the grocers the building that became the original site of the El Rey Supermarket, taking an interest in the success of what would become an iconic south side business and working to promote it among his neighbors; and

WHEREAS, A proud promoter of his Hispanic heritage, Francisco H. Arteaga and his family were active members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, taking part in many church functions and events, and he was bound and determined that his children would not lose touch with their heritage, teaching them the value of hard work and giving back to the community; and

WHEREAS, Francisco H. Arteaga leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife Concha, his children Maria Perez, Adela Breider, Rosa Kogelmann, Ramona Arteaga, Ana Lopez, Frank Arteaga, Jr., Robert Arteaga and Tony Arteaga, 27 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild and countless other loving friends and family members; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Francisco H. Arteaga 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 Francisco H. Arteaga.

Introduced by Common Council member José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 21, 2013.