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*Resolution recognizing and commemorating the dedication of James W. Beckum Park
and Opening Day of the Beckum-Stapleton Little League's 54th season.*

WHEREAS,

BECKUM-STAPLETON LITTLE LEAGUE

*Celebrated the Opening Day of its 54th season with a parade and a ceremony on May 5,
2018 at James W. Beckum Park, 900 W. Brown St.; and*

***WHEREAS,** James W. Beckum, a former professional baseball player for the
United States Marine Corps, the East Saint Louis Giants, and the Langsdorf League,
founded what later became known as the Beckum-Stapleton Little League in 1964, in
order to provide a space for youths to learn discipline, sportsmanship, and dedication to
the game of baseball; and*

***WHEREAS,** The Beckum-Stapleton Little League with its approximately 150
members will play an outstanding and competitive season in James W. Beckum Park,
which was named in honor of the league's founders, James W. Beckum and Charles
Stapleton, in 2013; and*

***WHEREAS,** The Beckum-Stapleton Little League, baseball fans, and the
Milwaukee community celebrated the league's Opening Day with a parade and a
ceremony in honor of its 54th season; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee formally
recognizes the contributions and good works of James W. Beckum and congratulates the
Beckum-Stapleton Little League on opening its 54th season; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be
presented to Beckum-Stapleton Little League.*

*Introduced by Common Council members Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Jim
Bohl, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, José Pérez,
Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, and Cavalier Johnson and approved by all members
of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 8, 2018.*