

BY ALD. HAMILTON

*Resolution recognizing and honoring Dr. F. L. Crouther for his ministerial service.*

**WHEREAS,**

**DR. FRED L. CROUTHER**

*was honored for 35 years of dedicated service as Pastor of the New Covenant Missionary Baptist Church during a special celebration on October 24, 2014 at the Davian Banquet Center, N56 W16300 Silver Spring Dr.; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Dr. Fred L. Crouther received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from American Baptist Theological Seminary, was presented with an Honorary Doctorate Degree from St. Thomas Christian College in 2003, earned his Masters Degree from Faith Seminary and later received his Doctor of Ministry Degree from Faith Seminary in 2006; and*

**WHEREAS,** *In 1971, Fred L. Crouther was elected to serve as Interim Pastor of Greater Galilee Baptist Church and was subsequently called to be Pastor in December; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Dr. Fred L. Crouther is the coordinator and overseer of several corporations including the New Covenant Corporation, New Covenant Housing Corporation, New Covenant Development Corporation and the New Covenant Holistic Corporation; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Dr. Fred L. Crouther led the congregation in the production of apartment buildings and was the driving force to restructure an Education Building that is used by the Academy of Excellence for grades K5 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Dr. Fred L. Crouther serves as an Emeritus member of the Y.M.C.A Board of Directors, a Life Member of NAACP and a member of the Milwaukee Inner City Congregations Allied for Hope; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Dr. Fred L. Crouther received numerous awards including the Excellency and Faith Based Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Award, White House Faith Based Initiative, Leadership Award from the Common Council & County Board, Lifetime Service Award from the Milwaukee Community Journal and several more; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes and congratulates Dr. Fred L. Crouther for 35 years of dedicated service as pastor, and thanks him for his many positive contributions to the community; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Fred L. Crouther.*

**Introduced by Common Council member Ashanti Hamilton and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 5, 2014.**