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Resolution recognizing the Ko-Thi Dance Company on its 50 year anniversary.

WHEREAS,

THE KO-THI DANCE COMPANY

celebrated its 50 year anniversary during the performances at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee on August 2, 3, 4, and 9, 2019; and

WHEREAS, *The Ko-Thi Dance Company was founded and led by Yangyeitie Caulker in 1969 and sought to preserve, promote, and uplift the dance and musical forms of Africa and its diaspora, and continues to invite all to truly think and seek Black culture; and*

WHEREAS, *The Ko-Thi Dance Company continues to reach thousands of communities nationwide through an educational outreach program known as DRUMTALK and their professional Ton Ko-Thi Children's Ensemble, and has international and national touring history including performances in locations such as Tokyo, Toronto, New York, Minnesota, California, and Florida; and*

WHEREAS, *The Ko-Thi Dance Company was also chosen to be a part of the DANCE USA Dance On Tour in the states of Ohio and Delaware; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates the Ko-Thi Dance Company on the occasion of its 50 year anniversary, thanks the company for its valuable contributions to the greater Milwaukee community and extends wishes for its continued success; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Ko-Thi Dance Company.*

Introduced by Common Council members Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson, and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 4, 2019.