

BY ALD. COGGS

Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Wesley James Graham, who passed from this life on February 7, 2015.

WHEREAS,

WESLEY JAMES GRAHAM

passed from this life on February 7, 2015 at the age of 88, and services were held on February 12, 2015 at St. Francis Catholic Church, 1927 N. 4th St.; and

WHEREAS, *Wesley James Graham was born on April 23, 1926 to the union of Emmett and Inez Graham in Milwaukee, Wis., and he was baptized at St. Benedict the Moor Church, receiving his formal education at St. Benedict the Moor Grade School and St. Francis Grade School and serving as an active, lifelong member of St. Benedict Catholic Church; and*

WHEREAS, *Wesley James Graham served in the U.S. Army from 1944 to 1946 and the Army Reserves for three more years, then learned the craft of printing at St. Benedict the Moor School and worked on the high school yearbook, and this experience led to a fulfilling, 30-year career working part-time in the printing industry while he devoted his fulltime efforts to International Harvester for 10 years and E.R. Wagner for 25 years before his retirement in 1991; and*

WHEREAS, *Wesley James Graham married Frances Alston in 1948 and their union was blessed with five children, and in his leisure time, he enjoyed tennis, photography, music and reading, he was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the St. Benedict the Moor Alumni Association and he was an active resident of the Bronzeville neighborhood, where he regularly enjoyed the company of many great 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 Wesley James Graham 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 Wesley James Graham.*

Introduced by Common Council member Milele A. Coggs and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 3, 2015.