

BY ALDS. PRATT, TAYLOR, COGGS, BAUMAN, PEREZ, CHAMBERS, WESTMORLAND,
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Resolution honoring Mother Billie J. Thomas on her decades of community service and leadership

WHEREAS,

MOTHER BILLIE J. THOMAS

was recognized on September 20, 2025 for her 25 years of dedicated service as Jurisdictional Supervisor, Department of Women, Wisconsin First Jurisdiction, and her commitment to the people of Milwaukee and beyond; and

WHEREAS, *Mother Billie J. Thomas received Christ in 1959 and has faithfully served in many church roles, including Big Sister Sunshine, Usher Board, Pastor's Aid, Evangelist, and District Missionary, among many others; and*

WHEREAS, *She currently serves as Jurisdictional Supervisor of the Department of Women for Wisconsin First Jurisdiction and, in 1993, co-founded The Word of Life Ministries COGIC with her late husband; and*

WHEREAS, *She is a strong advocate for education and leadership, holding a Doctor of Humanities from Trinity Hall College and Seminary, founding the School of Licensing for Missionaries, serving on the International Advisory Board of COGIC, and creating outreach programs such as Women of the Kingdom, Sharing Is Caring, and The Sisterhood; and*

WHEREAS, *Mother Billie J. Thomas has been a faithful wife of 70 years, a devoted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and spiritual mother to many, living by her motto, "Do Your Best, And God Will Do The Rest,"; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its appreciation of Mother Billie J. Thomas for her 25 years of community service and lasting positive impact in Milwaukee; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Mother Billie J. Thomas.*

Introduced by Common Council members Andrea M. Pratt, Larresa Taylor, Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez, Robert Bauman, Mark Chambers, Jr., Lamont Westmoreland, JoCasta Zamarripa, Sharlen P. Moore, Scott Spiker, Alex Brower and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 23, 2025.