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Resolution recognizing and congratulating Gene McKiernan on the occasion of his 78th birthday.

WHEREAS,

GENE MCKIERNAN

celebrated an extraordinary milestone, his 78th birthday on March 26, 2019; and

WHEREAS, *Gene McKiernan acquired what is today McKiernan's Irish Pub and Grill, 2066 S. 37th St., in 2006 but it did not open officially until March 19, 2009 (the location was formally called Working Class Heroes); and*

WHEREAS, *There was a lot of work done to make McKiernan's the beautiful place it is now – all with Gene's unique vision – and his grand opening coined the phrase "Miracle On 37th Street" as it was a highly anticipated opening; and*

WHEREAS, *McKiernan's Irish Pub and Grill – a great place to meet friends and forget about the world's problems – celebrates its 10th anniversary during March 2019, and has been a busy and popular neighborhood location where you can often find Gene McKiernan holding court; and*

WHEREAS, *Gene McKiernan – who also owns Barnacle Bud's, 1955 S. Hilbert St. – is a respected businessman who has hosted many important public gatherings and charitable events, always finding a way to help friends and to give back to his community; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Gene McKiernan on reaching his 78th birthday and extends for him its sincere wishes for continued health and happiness; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Gene McKiernan in recognition of his 78th birthday.*

Introduced by Common Council members Robert G. Donovan, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Nikiya Dodd and Cavalier Johnson and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 26, 2019.