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Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Dr. Randle E. Pollard.

WHEREAS,

DR. RANDLE E. POLLARD

a pioneering Black urologist, who as a physician, entrepreneur, and philanthropist was dedicated to the betterment of his community, passed from this life on October 13, 2021 at the age of 96, and a funeral with military honors was held on October 29, 2021 at the Wisconsin Memorial Park Chapel of Chimes in Brookfield; and

WHEREAS, *Randle E. Pollard was born on March 28, 1925, the youngest of three children, to Mamie Anna (Perrin) and William B. Pollard Sr., and while growing up in Evanston, Illinois, he showed an early interest in math and science, graduating from Evanston Township High School; and*

WHEREAS, *After graduating from high school, Randle enrolled at Prairie View A&M University, where he was a pre-med student and where his college career would be interrupted when he was drafted into the U.S. Army and assigned to the medical detachment of the 370th Infantry, 92d Division, serving as a combat medic in Italy during World War II, earning two Bronze Stars and three Battle Stars; and*

WHEREAS, *Upon his discharge from the Army, he returned to college and before graduating, was admitted to Meharry Medical College in Nashville, where he earned his medical degree in 1951 and spent the next few years gaining additional training in surgery and urology, and he then became Board certified in urology and elected a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons; and*

WHEREAS, *Dr. Randle Pollard's accomplishments extended beyond medicine, as he invested in many Black owned businesses, including a pharmacy and a nursing home, co-founded the North Milwaukee State Bank (the city's first full-service, minority-owned bank), and his philanthropic interests were many, ranging from the Milwaukee Urban League and the NAACP to sitting on the boards of The Bradley Center and Second Harvest, and he was especially proud of the scholarships he created: the Pollard Prizes in Urology and Physiology at Meharry and the Pollard Prize in Urology at the Medical College of Wisconsin; and*

WHEREAS, *Dr. Randle E. Pollard leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife of 67 years, Mildred "Micki" (Brawner) Pollard, daughters Karol J. Roberts (Fletcher), Emily F. Pollard (Robert Wilensky), JoAnne M. Williamson (Ronald), son Randle B. Pollard (Juval Scott), seven grandchildren, one great grandson, one nephew, and three nieces; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith offers its sincere condolences to the family of Dr. Randle E. Pollard and mourns the passing of this fine, upstanding man; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Dr. Randle E. Pollard.*

Introduced by Common Council members Russell W. Stamper, II, Cavalier Johnson, Milele A. Coggs, Khalif J. Rainey, Ashanti Hamilton, Scott Spiker, Nikiya Dodd, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez and Chantia Lewis and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 2, 2021.