Resolution congratulating the Milwaukee Latino Carnival on its successful 2013 debut.

WHEREAS,

## MILWAUKEE LATINO CARNIVAL

was a rousing success during its debut run in Milwaukee in July 2013; and

- WHEREAS, The Milwaukee Latino Carnival brought people together with majestic colors, vibrant dancing, the sounds of Salsa and much more during a free 6-day event held on the near south side; and
- WHEREAS, On July 24, 2013 "Masks of the Carnival" was featured at 730 W. Washington St., allowing attendees to witness a dramatic unveiling of a large mask that represents all of the countries participating in the event's Grand Parade and Festival (held on Saturday, July 27, 2013), and the mask, the work of seniors at the United Community Center and youth from Grandview School, showcased local talent, collaborative efforts and an appreciation for folklore and carnival traditions; and
- WHEREAS, Of The Milwaukee Latino Carnival, Alderman José G. Pérez said: "This event strives to make multiculturalism a tangible reality through uniting people in the celebration of Carnival celebrations. This educational and entertaining event was a festive celebration for the entire community"; and
- WHEREAS, The Milwaukee Latino Carnival Parade included more than one thousand participants who marched from the corner of S. 11th St. and W. National Ave. to 818 S. Water St. in colorful outfits and costumes representing 14 Latino-American countries and their traditions of Carnival, and floats, giant puppets, diverse music, the Queen of Carnival, free "paletas" and more were part of the family-oriented event, and
- WHEREAS, The Milwaukee Latino Carnival Festival was held at 818 S. Water St. (Wherehouse), and guests enjoyed live music by Nabori, Bachata 4k-Torce, Samba Unit and Nuevo Futuro, as well as Salsa contests and Carnival traditional dances and prizes; now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates The Milwaukee Latino Carnival on its successful 2013 debut, thanks it for its positive impact on the community and wishes for it continued success; and, be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to The Milwaukee Latino Carnival.

Introduced by Common Council member José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 4, 2013.