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Resolution recognizing Charly Palmer's and Dr. Karida L. Brown's contributions to the community and for helping others gain a fuller appreciation of Black culture.

WHEREAS,

CHARLY PALMER & DR. KARIDA L. BROWN

*inspired by the original works of W.E.B. DuBois, jointly authored *The New Brownies' Book: A Love Letter To Black Families*, highlighting the exceptional works of contemporary Black artists and their contributions to Black culture and excellence, and discussed their book at a community event with Milwaukee Public Library on February 10, 2024; and*

WHEREAS, *Charly Palmer has borne witness to African ancestry and contemporary experiences in all his paintings, depicting rhythmic and visual stories with the power to change minds, and as a fine artist has demonstrated his innate awareness of Blackness, and continues to explore the existential essence of Blackness, manifesting visual answers to questions of history and truth, and has done so for some of the most prestigious and culturally relevant platforms of his day ; and*

WHEREAS, *Dr. Karida L. Brown, a proud graduate of Temple University, the University of Pennsylvania, and Brown University, has passionately dedicated her career as a sociologist, professor, oral historian, and leading public intellectual to researching the fullness of Blackness, and has demonstrated her commitment to racial equity, history, and understanding in various academic and private sector roles; and*

WHEREAS, *Dr. Karida L. Brown, as the author of several books on Black life and culture, including *The New Brownies' Book* and the forthcoming *The Battle for the Black Mind*, and as a sociology professor at Emory University, continues her work to teach and inspire the next generation of social leaders and advocates for a more equitable future; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes Charlie Palmer and Dr. Karida L. Brown for their service to the community, thanks them for their dedication and positive efforts, and recognizes them for their passionate and creative endeavors to further the collective understanding of Black life and culture; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Charly Palmer and Dr. Karida L. Brown, outstanding citizens, leaders, artists, intellectuals, and champions of Black culture.*

Introduced by Common Council members Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez, Larresa Taylor, Russell W. Stamper, II, Andrea M. Pratt, Michael J. Murphy, JoCasta Zamarripa, Scott Spiker, Mark A. Borkowski, Khalif J. Rainey, Mark Chambers, Jr., Jonathan Brostoff, Robert J. Bauman, and Lamont Westmoreland and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on February 27, 2024.