

BY ALD. COGGS, PEREZ, BAUMAN

*Resolution recognizing the 18th Annual Garfield Avenue Blues, Jazz, Gospel & Arts Festival.*

**WHEREAS,**

***THE 18th ANNUAL GARFIELD AVENUE BLUES, JAZZ, GOSPEL & ARTS FESTIVAL***

*was celebrated July 18, 2015 on Garfield Avenue between 4th and 7th St.; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The Garfield Avenue Blues, Jazz, Gospel & Arts Festival was founded in 1997 by local businessmen Everett "Bobbie" Moore, attorney Tom Jacobson and LaMarr Franklin as a way to show appreciation for their loyal customers, starting out as a half-day, two-block festival and is now a two-day festival that covers six blocks, showcases more than 100 vendors, hosts more than 16 local bands and attracts more than 20,000 people every year; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The festival has dedicated sponsors such as the Brewers Community Foundation, Richard and Ethel Herzfield Foundation, Northcott Neighborhood House, Garfield 502, Cricket Wireless, Johnson Controls, Gruber Law Office and 98.3 FM, continue to help keep the torch burning; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The 18th Annual Garfield Avenue Blues, Jazz, Gospel & Arts Festival is an essential event that has become known in Milwaukee as a destination to find great food, fun and entertainment for the whole family; now, therefore, be it;*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes the 18th Annual Garfield Avenue Blues, Jazz, Gospel & Arts Festival celebration in the City of Milwaukee and wishes it continued success in the future; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to representatives of the 18th Annual Garfield Avenue Blues, Jazz, Gospel & Arts Festival.*

***Introduced by Common Council member Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez and Robert J. Bauman and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on July 21, 2015.***