

BY ALD. COGGS

*Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Charlesetta Yvonne Thompson, who passed from this life on February 16, 2015.*

**WHEREAS,**

**CHARLESETTA YVONNE THOMPSON**

*passed from this life on February 16, 2015 at the age of 74, and services were held on February 24, 2015 at St. Mark AME Church, 1616 W. Atkinson Ave.; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Charlesetta Yvonne Thompson was born on December 19, 1940 to Theola Moore Yancey and Finis Julius Lyles in El Dorado, Arkansas, was raised in Monroe, Louisiana, and on January 28, 1967 Charlesetta Yvonne Lyles and Wilbert James Thompson married in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Charlesetta Yvonne Thompson arrived in Milwaukee, Wis. in 1959 and established her membership with St. Mark AME Church, where she faithfully served, using her talents which included serving on many Ad Hoc committees; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Charlesetta Yvonne Thompson graduated from Carroll High School in Monroe, Louisiana, received an Associates Degree in Arts & Human Services from Milwaukee Area Technical College, and pursued a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Community Education and a Master's Degree in Administrative Leadership, both from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Charlesetta Yvonne Thompson worked at the YWCA, AODA, Girl Scouts of America and Milwaukee Area Technical College, founded "TEArrific Gifts", a gift basket business, and authored a book of poetry entitled "Thoughts, Feelings and Dreams", Charlesetta was also a board member for the Harambee Ombudsman Program and the Black Holocaust Museum, and Charlesetta gave of herself as a caregiver to family and friends, going above and beyond the call of duty; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Charlesetta leaves to cherish her memory a host of loving family members of the Lyles and Thompson clans and friends, with special acknowledgement to "son" Simon Warren, god-daughter, Candice Braxton, the entire Braxton family, and the Milwaukee Arts Community; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Charlesetta Yvonne Thompson and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine woman; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Charlesetta Yvonne Thompson.*

*Introduced by Common Council member Milele A. Coggs and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 3, 2015.*