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*Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Lawrence J. “Larry” O’Neil, who passed from this life on March 26, 2019.*

**WHEREAS,**

## **LAWRENCE “LARRY” J. O’NEIL**

*passed from this life on March 26, 2019, and funeral services were held on April 6, 2019 at St. Rita’s Catholic Church, 2318 S. 61<sup>st</sup> St.; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Lawrence J. “Larry” O’Neil was born on September 17, 1927 in Portland, Maine, where he grew up diving off rocks and swimming in the Atlantic Ocean with his younger brother; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Larry O’Neil attended Cheverus High School in Maine before enlisting in the U.S. Army, proudly serving his country in World War II as a railroad engineer by transporting military supplies to the troops; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Larry O’Neil found his treasure in Milwaukee, where he married the love of his life, Bernice Tomaszewski, and shortly after was blessed with five daughters; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Larry O’Neil was very active in his community, working for 32 years at Schlitz Brewery, while also serving on the Milwaukee Public Schools Board of School Directors for seven elections – totaling 28 years, and was even a member of the American Legion Post 537 and volunteer transport driver for the Clement J. Zablocki Veterans Affairs Medical Center; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Larry O’Neil, a dedicated father and handyman, was a naturally talented singer, singing as a tenor in the St. Rita’s choir and his daughters’ weddings, and is remembered as a gentleman with a quick-wit who loved the Milwaukee Brewers; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Lawrence “Larry” J. O’Neil leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Bernice, and five daughters, brother Louis, nine grandchildren, and a host of loving family and friends; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Lawrence “Larry” J. O’Neil, recognizes his lasting impact on his community, and mourns with deep sorrow 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 Lawrence “Larry” J. O’Neil.*

**Introduced by Common Council members Michael J. Murphy, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on April 16, 2019.**