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*Resolution recognizing World Refugee Day on June 20, 2019.*

**WHEREAS,**

## **WORLD REFUGEE DAY**

*was recognized by the City of Milwaukee, the International Institute of Wisconsin and Milwaukee community members on June 20, 2020; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The International Institute of Wisconsin supports World Refugee Day, a global observance that honors all refugees and raises awareness of their strength and courage; and*

**WHEREAS,** *World Refugee Day serves as a time to acknowledge the hardships refugees have encountered, the new lives they have built, and the positive effect they have on our local communities; and*

**WHEREAS,** *World Refugee Day was first celebrated on June 20, 2001 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The International Institute of Wisconsin, established in 1936, assists immigrants and refugees in transitioning into the community by offering programming and support services; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The International Institute of Wisconsin is an organization dedicated to the promotion of international cooperation, understanding, and a multi-ethnic, multi-cultural perspective through education, arts, exchange, communication, social activities, and immigration and naturalization services, and it also coordinates, and sponsors a variety of activities and programs appropriate to the fulfillment of this primary purpose; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes World Refugee Day and wishes the International Institute of Wisconsin continued success in fulfilling its mission; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the International Institute of Wisconsin.*

**Introduced by Common Council members Robert J. Bauman, Russell W. Stamper, II, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez, Mark A. Borkowski, Khalif J. Rainey, Chantia Lewis, Cavalier Johnson and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 27, 2020.**