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Resolution recognizing William Tisdale for his contributions to the City of Milwaukee on the occasion of his retirement from the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council.

WHEREAS,

WILLIAM TISDALE

was recognized in June 2023 for his multiple and consequential contributions to the City of Milwaukee as President and CEO of the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council (MMFHC); and

WHEREAS, William Tisdale has spent forty-five years on the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council, dedicating his life to the pursuit of fair and sustainable housing for all in Milwaukee; and

WHEREAS, William Tisdale has spent forty-three years as the leader of the MMFHC and under his tenure the Council has grown to become a statewide organization that addresses housing injustices and discrimination in the courts and provides education and outreach both in Milwaukee and across Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, William Tisdale has served the fair housing movement in America beyond Milwaukee through his service as the founding President of the National Fair Housing Alliance, which seeks to address systemic injustices in the American housing system, such as redlining, appraisal bias and unequal access to fair housing finance; and

WHEREAS, William Tisdale has created and led the Investigative Support for Testing & Enforcement Program, a national project which provides training, legal assistance, and technical support to affiliate fair housing organizations both in Milwaukee and across the United States and has further served the fair housing movement by his participation in many fair housing advisory boards and committees, thereby formulating the creation of more fair and equitable housing policy in America; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes William Tisdale for his contributions to the City of Milwaukee on the occasion of his retirement from the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community and wishes for him continued success and happiness; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to William Tisdale, an outstanding leader, activist, and visionary.

Introduced by Common Council members Michael J. Murphy, Jonathan Brostoff, Scott Spiker, Marina Dimitrijevic, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Khalif J. Rainey, Robert J. Bauman, Milele A. Coggs, Mark Chambers, Jr., Russell W. Stamper, II, Lamont Westmoreland, Andrea Pratt, and JoCasta Zamarripa and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 20, 2023.