

BY ALDS. KOVAC, BAUMAN

Resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary celebration for the building located at 2648 N. Hackett Ave.

WHEREAS,

2648 NORTH HACKETT AVENUE

was celebrated by the Church In the City, Assembly of God, to mark a milestone event, its 100th year anniversary, on March 15, 2015, as the date on its cornerstone in the southwest corner of the building is March 15, 1915; and

WHEREAS, *The beginnings of 2648 North Hackett Avenue can be traced to The Kenwood Masonic Lodge #303, which hired architects Leenhouts and Guthrie to design the building, and construction began in June of 1915 and the building was completed and dedicated in November of 1916; and*

WHEREAS, *The building is an example of the Venetian Gothic Revival Structure and is reminiscent of the Italian Gothic palazzi along the canals of Venice, Italy, and the west facing side of the building has a recessed two-story loggia with openwork Gothic arcades which were inspired by several famous fifteenth century late Gothic-style, Venetian palaces; and*

WHEREAS, *In 1980, the building was sold to the Italian Community Center for use as an ethnic community cultural center, and in April 1981 the old Milwaukee Landmarks Commission designated the structure as a Milwaukee Landmark; and*

WHEREAS, *In the summer of 1990 the City of Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the building be designated as a City of Milwaukee Historic Structure, and in August 1991 the building was purchased by current owners Church In The City, Assembly of God; and*

WHEREAS, *A debt of gratitude is owed for the careful stewardship of the building by successive owners -- without whom the citizens of Milwaukee and others would not be able to enjoy the beautiful design and fine craftsmanship so clearly visible today; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes the Church In the City, Assembly of God celebration of the 100th anniversary of 2648 North Hackett Avenue, and extends wishes for a prosperous future; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Church In the City, Assembly of God.*

Introduced by Common Council members Nik Kovac and Robert J. Bauman and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 31, 2015.