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Resolution congratulating and commending the Marquette University Men's Basketball Team on an outstanding 2012-2013 season.

WHEREAS,

THE MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

defeated Butler University in the 2013 NCAA tournament on March 23, 2013 to earn their third consecutive Sweet Sixteen berth; and

WHEREAS, The 2012-2013 Marquette University men's basketball team, composed of players who dedicated themselves to hard work, teamwork, and excellence, were able to bring out the best in themselves while putting together a season that most schools only dream about; and

WHEREAS, The Marquette University Golden Eagles entered the NCAA tournament ranked 3^{rd} , had a miracle comeback against the 14^{th} seeded Davidson Wildcats in the first round, emerged victorious in a close contest with the 6^{th} seeded Butler Bulldogs in the round of 32, and now will be facing off against the 2^{nd} seeded Miami Hurricanes for a shot at the Elite Eight; and

WHEREAS, The Golden Eagles began the season unranked and with question marks, but the team proved their detractors wrong by earning a 24-7 regular season record, earning them a share of the Big East regular season title for the first time in school history, and continued their undefeated streak at home for a second straight season; and

WHEREAS, The Golden Eagles included seniors Junior Cadougan, Trent Lockett and Christ Otule, juniors Vander Blue, Davante Gardner, Jake Thomas and Jamil Wilson, sophomores Juan Anderson, Dylan Flood, Todd Mayo, Garrett Swanson and Derrick Wilson, and freshmen Jamal Ferguson and Steve Taylor, Jr., and are led by head coach Buzz Williams; and

WHEREAS, The Marquette University Golden Eagles earned the pride and respect of their peers and of the community for their hard work and dedication to the season and for their sportsmanship and teamwork; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates and commends the Marquette University men's basketball team on earning a Sweet Sixteen berth in the 2013 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament, recognizes it on an outstanding 2012-2013 season and offers it's hopes for continued success in the tournament, and extends its appreciation on behalf of the citizens of the City of Milwaukee; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Marquette University.

Introduced by Common Council members Willie L. Hines, Jr., Ashanti Hamilton, Jim Bohl, Robert G. Donovan, Terry L. Witkowski and Tony Zielinski and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on April 9, 2013.