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Resolution recognizing the Phillips family on the occasion of its 27th annual family reunion.

WHEREAS,

THE PHILLIPS FAMILY

gathered on July 5th, 6th & 7th, 2013 in Milwaukee to celebrate their legacy with their family reunion; and

WHEREAS, *The Phillips Family Reunion was founded in 1987 by Yolanda Bryant, and for its 27th annual reunion the family has returned to Wisconsin -- the site of its very first reunion; and*

WHEREAS, *The Phillips family is one of the oldest African American families in the United States, dating back as far as the 1910, by way of Mississippi; and*

WHEREAS, *The Phillips family also boasts of being one of the largest African American families in the U.S., with more than 10,000 members world-wide; and*

WHEREAS, *Many great accomplishments have been attained by members of the Phillips family in the area of business, including Anderson Phillips famous "Butter Pound Cake" and Willie Mays Music management and promoter of the Soulette & Company singing group; and*

WHEREAS, *The descendants of the Phillips family have earned the praise, respect and admiration of family, friends and the community for holding family reunions and for upholding the values of love and faith which have been passed down by family members who have gone before; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes the bonds the Phillips family has had for their parents and grandparents and for one another, welcomes family reunion members to Milwaukee, and extends its best wishes for a successful and enjoyable reunion; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Phillips family on the occasion of its reunion.*

Introduced by Common Council members Willie L. Hines, Jr. and Milele A. Coggs. and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 11, 2013.