

*BY ALDS. PEREZ, WADE, HAMILTON, COGGS, DAVIS, HINES*

*Resolution congratulating Running Rebels Community Organization on its 33 years of valuable service to the city of Milwaukee.*

**WHEREAS,**

***RUNNING REBELS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION***

*celebrated 33 years of service with its annual scholarship and awards banquet, which was held on November 2, 2013 at the Italian Community Center in Milwaukee; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The Running Rebels Community Organization works to serve a large group of at risk youth, working through tough times in order to assist in the development of Milwaukee's youth and stay true to their mission statement which is to provide programs that will assist Milwaukee's youth in developing mentally, physically and spiritually, while promoting community unity; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The Running Rebels Community Organization develops programs that focus on education and recreation in order to provide youth with a positive alternative to gangs, substance abuse and negative behaviors and these programs teach positive values like discipline, accountability and respect and they emphasize academic achievement and community service; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The Running Rebels Community Organization's annual banquet recognizes current and former members as well as staff for their involvement and positive impact on the community and the organization and they award scholarships to youth who are planning to pursue post-secondary education and they have awarded over \$80,000 in scholarships over the past 15 years which have helped to foster further success in at-risk youth, and these scholarships are made available through fundraising from individuals, foundations and community supports; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates the Running Rebels Community Organization on 33 years of service, and commends them for their continued commitment and positive contributions to the community, and wishes for them success in all of his future endeavors; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Running Rebels Community Organization.*

***Introduced by Common Council member Jose G. Perez, Willie C. Wade, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Joe Davis Sr., and Willie L. Hines and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 5, 2013.***