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Resolution recognizing and congratulating David Schnelz on his retirement from the City Comptroller's Office.

WHEREAS,

DAVID "DAVE" SCHNELZ

retired on June 6, 2014 with pride and satisfaction from his position as functional applications manager after more than 27 years of dedicated service to the City Comptroller's Office; and

WHEREAS, Dave Schnelz was hired by the City Comptroller's Office in May 1987 as the CD policy information analyst, in August 1988 he was promoted to senior MIS analyst specialist, in July 1992 he was promoted to financial systems supervisor, in January 1996 he was promoted to systems analyst – lead, in September 1999 he was promoted to FMIS project manager – information systems specialist and in June 2001 he was promoted to functional applications manager; and

WHEREAS, Dave Schnelz played a major role in the FMIS PeopleSoft project since its planning stages and not only led the Comptroller's Office systems support division for 27 years, but was also instrumental in doing key analysis work for a GFOA award (Government Financial Officers Association - the premier professional organization in the field of government finance and the recognized standard setting body in matters of government finance), recognizing the outstanding City of Milwaukee financial planning system developed and operated out of the Comptroller's Office during the 1980s; and

WHEREAS, Dave Schnelz provided many essential services to the City of Milwaukee from leading the team that keeps the Comptroller's computer network and workstations running, often troubleshooting both simple and complex technological issues and overseeing computer equipment and software upgrades (and fulfilling numerous open records requests for outlets such as the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel,) and overseeing the maintenance of the PeopleSoft setup tables for payroll earnings, taxes and deductions – the foundation upon which every payroll is based; and

WHEREAS, Dave Schnelz richly and justly earned the enduring praise, respect and gratitude of his coworkers, friends, family and the community at large for his dedication and service to the City of Milwaukee and the City Comptroller's Office; and

WHEREAS, Dave Schnelz will now have the time to enjoy doing the things he loves to do – from being an avid music lover, who breaks down artists and their songs in a uniquely analytical fashion and is willing to attend almost any artist's concert once, including Nine Inch Nails and Pink; and since Dave is an avid hiker who has been on treks from the mountains of the mid-south to Arizona – he will enjoy having the time to do more traveling and riding his mountain bikes as well; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Dave Schnelz on his retirement from the City Comptroller's Office, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community for his dedicated public service, and wishes for him a happy and healthy retirement; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to David "Dave" Schnelz, an exemplary employee.

Introduced by Common Council members Michael J. Murphy, Nik Kovac, Robert J. Bauman, Jim Bohl, Milele A. Coggs, Robert G. Donovan, Joe Dudzik, José G. Pérez, Terry L. Witkowski and Tony Zielinski and Russell W. Stamper II.