

**BY ALD. PEREZ**

*Resolution thanking Dr. “Tony” Luis Antonio Báez for his service as executive director of Centro Hispano.*

**WHEREAS,**

**DR. “TONY” LUIS ANTONIO BÁEZ**

*concluded his tenure at Milwaukee’s Centro Hispano after nearly a decade as the organization’s executive director; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Dr. Tony Báez is a former provost and chief academic officer of the Milwaukee Area Technical College, one of the largest urban technical colleges in the U.S., and during his 12 years at MATC, he also served as Assistant to the President, Associate Dean of Pre-College Programs, Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Director of Research, Planning and Development; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Dr. Tony Báez has been active in advocating for civil rights issues, educational reform and community-based education in Milwaukee for more than 40 years, serving as a leader in Latino education, parental involvement in schools, at-risk youth issues, bilingual and multicultural education, adult education and ESL, and using his expertise to develop educational plans for urban school districts nationwide; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Dr. Tony Báez has remained steadfast in advocating for Milwaukee Latinos on issues including immigration, social services, education, housing and health, and he will continue to follow this passion and use it at a national and international level through social and educational transformation that is taking place in many Latino communities in the U.S. and in Latin America; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith thanks Dr. “Tony” Luis Antonio Báez for his service as executive director of Centro Hispano, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community and wishes for him great success in all his future endeavors; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Tony Báez.*

**Introduced by Common Council member José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 3, 2015.**