Resolution offering condolences to the friends and family of Wesley Eugene Fields.

WHEREAS,

WESLEY EUGENE FIELDS

passed from this life on August 19, 2015 at the age of 78, and funeral services were held on August 26, 2015 at Krause Funeral Home, 9000 W. Capitol Drive; and

WHEREAS, Born on June 7, 1937 in Long Prairie, Minnesota and raised in Detroit, Wesley Eugene Fields attended trade and technical schooling, designing patterns that were subsequently published in text books, and went on to serve honorably on active duty in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, receiving the National Defense Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Relocating to Milwaukee, Wesley Eugene Fields embarked on a successful, 50-year career in the hairdressing business, first owning and operating Maria's on Lisbon Avenue before going on to operate the Beauty Shop by Mr. Wes, the Hair Factory, M'Lord M'Lady and several unrelated business ventures, and he established the unconventional-for-its-time unisex salon within the UWM's student union, the first business venture of its kind; and

WHEREAS, Wesley Eugene Fields met his loving wife Karen at the UWM salon while she was attending graduate school, and the pair spent many wonderful long years together, taking great enjoyment in cruising Lake Michigan in their Morgan Out-Island sailboat and crossing the lake for their annual Fourth of July junkets to Saugatuck, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, A self-taught craftsman and a jack-of-all-trades who was seldom idle, Wesley Eugene Fields enjoyed many hobbies, including the restoration of vintage cars, remodeling homes and farmhouses, piloting small aircraft, refinishing antiques, photography, building remote-controlled airplanes, crafting replicas of famous sailing ships and many other pursuits; and

WHEREAS, Wesley Eugene Fields leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife Karen, his brother and sister Elvin and Ann, his children Kelly and Mike, his sister-in-law Marilyn, his granddaughters Tara and Nicole and many other nieces, nephews, family members and friends across the U.S. and in Germany; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Wesley Eugene Fields and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine man and great Milwaukeean; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Wesley Eugene Fields.

Introduced by Common Council member Nik Kovac and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 1, 2015.