## BY ALD. WITKOWSKI

Resolution recognizing and congratulating Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec on receiving the 2015 Person of the Year Award from the South Side Business Club of Milwaukee, Inc.

## WHEREAS,

## MARJAN "MARTY" R. KMIEC

received the 2015 Person of the Year Award from the South Side Business Club of Milwaukee, Inc. during their Fall Party and Award Banquet at Polonez Restaurant on September 21, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec received his undergraduate degree in political science from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and his juris doctor from the Marquette University Law School; and

**WHEREAS**, Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec began his career as a claims adjustor for a large insurance company and eventually became a partner at Kasius, Kmiec, & Kay Law Firm in 1959, a position he held for over 56 years; and

WHEREAS, Marty has been admitted to practice law in several states throughout the country, and also before the United States Supreme Court, the U.S. District Court Eastern District of Wisconsin, the Veterans Administration, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court in Chicago, U.S. District Court for the Virgin Islands, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit in Philadelphia, the Supreme Court of the Menomonee Tribe, and the Menomonee Tribal Court; and

WHEREAS, Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec has served in various leadership roles, including as president of the Milwaukee Bar Association-Litigation Section for three years, lecturer at the Milwaukee Bar Association Seminars-Litigation Section, and instructor at the State of Wisconsin Bar Association-Litigation Section; and

WHEREAS, Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec has been involved with a number of community organizations, serving as Judge Advocate for the Polish Legion of America (1965-1975), active member of the South Side Business Club for 50 years, member of the Polish Veterans Association for over 47 years, and past president of the Milwaukee Society, PNA; and

**WHEREAS**, Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec has been instrumental in organizing Polish Festivals, Inc., serving as president of the organization for 11 years, buying property to house the Polish Community Center, and helping the center become debt free; and

WHEREAS, Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec has been a loving husband to wife Donna and father to children Phillip, Joseph, Steven & Donnella; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes and congratulates Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec on receiving the 2015 Person of the Year Award from South Side Business Club, Inc. and wishes for him continued health and success in his future endeavors; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Marjan "Marty" R. Kmiec.

Introduced by Terry L. Witkowski and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 22, 2015.