

BY ALDS. DAVIS

*Resolution congratulating Bishop R. J. Burt on 25 years of pastoring.*

**WHEREAS,**

**BISHOP R. J. BURT**

*was recognized for his 25 year anniversary as pastor of the Greater New Birth Church in Milwaukee during special events held September 9-11, 2015; and*

***WHEREAS,** Bishop R. J. Burt was born, went to school, and raised his family in the City of Milwaukee with his wife, Pastor Patricia Burt, with whom he was blessed with four children and a number of grandchildren; and*

***WHEREAS,** Bishop R. J. Burt committed himself to education earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Marquette University and an Honorary Doctorate Degree from Logos Christian College; and*

***WHEREAS,** Bishop R. J. Burt became pastor of the Greater New Birth Church, 8237 W. Silver Spring Dr., in 1990 and ever since has exemplified leadership and compassion in his community by training youth and adults in various outreach ministries, running a child development day care center and managing a staff of 120 ministers; and*

***WHEREAS,** Bishop R. J. Burt's dedication to improving the community extends beyond the physical borders of his church, he spreads his message internationally and contributes his expertise willingly serving on the board of directors for several philanthropic organizations including TranCenter for Youth Inc. and the Martin Luther King Jr. Economic Development Commission; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes and congratulates Bishop R. J. Burt on the occasion of his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary as pastor of Greater New Birth Church and extends its sincere wishes for continued success; and, be it*

***FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Bishop R. J. Burt.*

***Introduced by Common Council member Joe Davis, Sr. and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 22, 2015.***