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Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of David J. “Dave” Baldwin, who passed from this life on December 20, 2015.

WHEREAS,

DAVID J. “DAVE” BALDWIN

passed from this life on December 20, 2015 at the age of 85, and services were held at Feerick Funeral Home in Shorewood on January 2, 2016; and

WHEREAS, *David “Dave” Baldwin, whose father was a pharmacist, proudly served in the military (and would later serve on veterans’ boards and support veterans’ causes), worked as a ballroom dancing instructor in college and later worked as a model and even practiced law before deciding to follow his heart, which was in night life; and*

WHEREAS, *During the early 1960s, Dave opened Whiskey A-go-go with partners (and Gatsby’s Steak House), but by 1966 wanted to dial into the popularity of the 007 James Bond movies, and sought to have a 007-themed room at Whiskey A-go-go; and*

WHEREAS, *Dave Baldwin founded The Safe House in 1966 and the establishment quickly became a downtown Milwaukee destination, and with its entry tucked away on an alley off E. Wells St., it honors a 1960s Hollywood image of secret agents and spies, and passwords, secret doorways, spy memorabilia and a booth that spins around to serve as a secret entrance are all featured attractions, and a world map by the bar shows other so-called spy safe houses; and*

WHEREAS, *The Safe House – now an internationally known business that has attracted more than a million ‘spies’ over its nearly 50-year history -- is also famous for its creative cocktail concoctions, like the “Spy’s Demise” and “Hail to the Chief” (also known as “Her Majesty’s Secret Service” for women); and*

WHEREAS, *Dave Baldwin was the beloved husband of Shauna Singh Baldwin, and the proud and loving father of daughter Tracy Ann Baldwin, and leaves to cherish his memory a host of loving relatives and friends; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of David J. “Dave” Baldwin, and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine man; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of David J. “Dave” Baldwin.*

Introduced by Common Council members Michael J. Murphy, Robert J. Bauman, Tony Zielinski, Jim Bohl, Willie C. Wade, Ashanti Hamilton, Terry L. Witkowski, Robert G. Donovan, Nik Kovac, Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez and Mark A. Borkowski and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on January 19, 2016.