

BY THE COMMON COUNCIL

Resolution recognizing and thanking Alderman Joe Davis, Sr. for his service to the City of Milwaukee as 2nd District Alderman.

WHEREAS,

ALDERMAN JOE DAVIS, SR.

made a lasting and positive impact on the City of Milwaukee and the 2nd Aldermanic District during his 13 years as a member of the Milwaukee Common Council; and

***WHEREAS,** Alderman Joe Davis, Sr. was elected to his first term as 2nd District Alderman during a special election on April 29, 2003 after having previously served on the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, and he won re-election to a full term during the spring general election on April 6, 2004, and was re-elected by constituents in 2008 and 2012; and*

***WHEREAS,** During his tenure, Alderman Davis sponsored legislation creating the first-ever City-wide Block Watch Council, and worked closely with Block Watch clubs and neighborhood groups in the 2nd District to help boost public safety and to better organize citizens working to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods, and those groups included the Grantosa Drive Block Watch Club, Capitol West Neighborhood Association, Neighborhood Strong, Lancaster Block Watch Club, the Westlawn Residents Council, Bryant Heights Neighborhood Association, the Villard Condo Association and the 75th Street Block Club; and*

***WHEREAS,** Alderman Joe Davis, Sr. was committed to boosting businesses and business development – big and small – and he helped nurture the historic redevelopment of the former Capitol Court Shopping Center into the bustling and successful Midtown Center; and*

***WHEREAS,** Alderman Joe Davis, Sr. served as chair of the Common Council's Community and Economic Development Committee and the Sister Cities Committee, which forged new international ties with cities across the globe, particularly in Africa, and he also served as the Honorary Consulate of the State of Wisconsin to the Republic of South Africa; now, therefore, be it*

***RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes and thanks Joe Davis, Sr. for his many years of distinguished public service as 2nd District Alderman, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community and the*

citizens of Milwaukee, and wishes him the best of luck and blessings in all of his future endeavors; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Joe Davis, Sr., an exemplary public servant.*

Introduced and approved on May 24, 2016 by all members of the Common Council: Cavalier Johnson, Ashanti Hamilton, Nik Kovac, Robert Bauman, Jim Bohl, Milele A. Coggs, Khalif J. Rainey, Robert G. Donovan, Chantia Lewis, Michael J. Murphy, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Terry L. Witkowski, Tony Zielinski and Russell W. Stamper, II.