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Resolution recognizing and congratulating the ALBA Parent Teacher Organization.

WHEREAS,

ALBA Parent Teacher Organization

was honored at a breakfast event at Academia de Lenguaje y Bellas Artes, 1712 S. 32nd St. on May 11, 2016; and

WHEREAS, *Academia de Lenguaje y Bellas Artes (ALBA) Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) strives to assist in providing a positive student climate and behavioral supports, as ALBA was founded on the conviction that bilingual students can reach their full potential academically, in English and Spanish, when challenged through, rigorous academic studies, the integration of fine arts and the development of critical thinking, problem solving and creative abilities, and the PTO assists the school and the students in accomplishing this goal; and*

WHEREAS, *ALBA PTO has shown its commitment to the students and the school through various undertakings that wouldn't have been possible without it: 4th grade students met and collaborated with 4th grade students from Tonawanda School in the Elm Brook School District on the "What's Important to Me" photography and essay project, and after spring break, the students came in to the school a with Robot made from recycled materials, and the PTO planned a Family Fine Arts Night to see and enjoy the art, music, science and family recycled robot projects; and*

WHEREAS, *ALBA PTO and the school have achieved great things working together, as ALBA was honored with the School of Recognition Award from the Department of Public Instruction through Title I, and for the 4th consecutive year, ALBA was honored for closing the achievement gap, and was recognized as a School of Distinction for PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) since 2012-2013, and is designated as a School of Recognition for Reading and Math; and*

WHEREAS, *ALBA and the PTO's work has been recognized at the highest levels, The White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics named ALBA as one of the nation's "Bright Spots in Hispanic Education," an honor given to only three organizations in the State of Wisconsin this year, and has been near or above the state average on the most recent state test results available; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes and congratulates Academia de Lenguaje y Bellas Artes Parent Teacher Organization for its outstanding contributions , and wishes for its continued success in the future.*

Introduced by Common Council members Robert G. Donovan, Milele A. Coggs, Jim Bohl, Mark A. Borkowski and José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 24, 2016.