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Resolution congratulating Paula Holman on her retirement from the Milwaukee Public Schools.

WHEREAS,

PAULA HOLMAN

retired with pride and satisfaction as an educator with Milwaukee Public Schools after more than 31 years of dedicated service to the City of Milwaukee; and

WHEREAS, Paula Holman's passion was to serve students of Milwaukee, and for 31 years she has successfully done so at various Milwaukee Public Schools, demonstrating her dedication to children and fostering a positive school environment through her ability to greet every child in school by name; and

WHEREAS, Paula Holman received her bachelor's degree in Environmental Science from the University of Wisconsin—Green Bay, where she also learned sign language, becoming fluent by spending time in the deaf community; and

WHEREAS, Paula Holman began her career as an MPS sign language interpreter, then became a teacher at Greenfield Montessori School after recognizing value in her own children's Montessori education and receiving Montessori Elementary Training, and later transitioned to a leadership role as the school's Montessori Implementer, assisting the community with the move to Fernwood Montessori School; and

WHEREAS, Paula Holman used her skills as an Environmental Scientist to benefit students as she led them on overnight camping trips and night hikes, and as she helped guide the installations of the Rain Garden and Stone Labyrinth at Fernwood Montessori; and

WHEREAS, Paula Holman richly and justly earned the enduring praise, respect and gratitude of her coworkers, friends, family and the community at large for her dedication and service to Milwaukee Public Schools and to the City of Milwaukee, and leaves a memorable legacy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Paula Holman on her retirement from Milwaukee Public Schools, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community, and wishes for her a happy and healthy retirement; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Paula Holman.

Introduced by Common Council members José G. Pérez, Terry L. Witkowski, Russell Stamper, II, Jim Bohl, Ashanti Hamilton, Tony Zielinski, Michael J. Murphy, Nik Kovac, Milele A. Coggs, Robert G. Donovan, Mark A. Borkowski, Cavalier Johnson, Chantia Lewis and Khalif J. Rainey and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on July 6, 2016.