Resolution recognizing St. Paul's Lutheran Church on its 175th anniversary.

WHEREAS,

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

celebrated its 175th anniversary on its Anniversary Sunday of September 25, 2016; and

WHEREAS, St. Paul's Lutheran Church was formed in 1841 by a group of German immigrants who fled Germany due to religious persecution, and the church now considers itself a "Metropolitan Congregation with an Urban Mission," which serves the neighborhood with an emphasis on children, mainly African-Americans and Asian-Americans; and

WHEREAS, St. Paul's Lutheran Church has made a commitment to stay in its present location since 1917, and after several remodeling projects remains "In the City for Good," and serves the surrounding neighborhoods, including Concordia, Merrill Park and Story Hill; and

WHEREAS, St. Paul's Lutheran Church is one of only three congregations in Milwaukee which has created a program specifically for the Laotian community, and through this ministry, which started in 2002, the church reaches out to the surrounding Laotian community; and

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes and celebrates St. Paul's Lutheran Church on its 175th anniversary, and thanks the congregation and pastoral leadership for providing vital services and worship opportunities to the people of Milwaukee; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Introduced by Common Council members Robert J. Bauman, Jim Bohl, Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez and Mark A. Borkowski and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 20, 2016.