BY ALDS. ZIELINSKI, HAMILTON, COGGS, BOHL, STAMPER, BORKOWSKI, WITKOWSKI, PEREZ, LEWIS, RAINEY, JOHNSON

Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Ruth Simos, who passed from this life on February 22, 2018.

WHEREAS,

RUTH SIMOS

passed from this life on February 22, 2018, and services were held for family and friends on March 17, 2018 at Immaculate Conception Church, 1023 E. Russell Ave.; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Simos was born on March 28, 1924 and spent her childhood in her family's Bay View bungalow near Humboldt Park, playing alongside her two older sisters, developing her passion for art during her time at Bay View High School, braving cold winters to ice skate at Humboldt Park Lagoon, and living through historical events during the early years of her life; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Simos married George Simos, an electrical engineer, in 1945, and the couple moved into a small apartment on South Ninth Street to start a family, eventually buying Ruth's childhood home; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Simos loved painting Lake Michigan sunsets, dancing in the South Shore Frolics Parade as a "Dancing Granny," and serving her community through her dedicated work for the Bay View Historical Society, which recognized her with the Bay View Compass Spirit of Bay View Award for her efforts as president and founder of the Humboldt Park Watch; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Simos was heavily involved in her community by advocating for public parks and performing volunteer work, and her contributions to the Bay View community will be appreciated and cherished for years to come; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Simos leaves to cherish her memory her six children, 16 grandchildren, and multiple great-grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Ruth Simos recognizes her lasting impact on the community and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine, upstanding woman; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Ruth Simos.

Introduced by Common Council members Tony Zielinski, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Jim Bohl, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, and Cavalier Johnson and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 27, 2018.