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Resolution recognizing Parker Gaitens for an act of bravery.

WHEREAS.

PARKER GAITENS

was recognized for an act of selfless bravery in saving the life of a drowning woman whose kayak had overturned; and

- WHEREAS, On September 18, 2018, at 7:24p.m., the Milwaukee Fire Department received a call from a man at South Shore Yacht Club requesting police and medical assistance for a drowning and unresponsive woman, whose kayak had capsized; and
- WHEREAS, Parker Gaitens was working his bartender shift at South Shore Yacht Club when a man came in and informed him about a kayak that was upside down with the paddle floating away from it; and
- WHEREAS, Parker Gaitens jumped into the water, swam toward the woman who was floating face-up in the water next to her kayak, and was assisted in getting the woman out of the water; and
- **WHEREAS**, Parker Gaitens performed CPR until the medical personnel came and took the woman away in an ambulance, transporting her to Ascension St. Francis Hospital where she recovered nicely; and
- WHEREAS, Parker Gaitens exemplifies the very best of our concerned and engaged citizenry, and his selfless actions speak volumes about his personal beliefs and his concern for the safety and well-being of his fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes Parker Gaitens for his bravery, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community, and wishes for him a happy and healthy future; and, be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Parker Gaitens.

Introduced by Common Council members Terry L. Witkowski, Tony Zielinski, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey and Cavalier Johnson and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on October 16, 2018.