## BY ALDS. LEWIS, RAINEY, HAMILTON, COGGS, PÉREZ, STAMPER, BORKOWSKI, WITKOWSKI, JOHNSON

Resolution expressing condolences to the friends and family of Ruben Hale.

## WHEREAS,

## **RUBEN HALE**

passed from this life on November 3, 2018 at the age of 95, and a memorial gathering was held on November 13, 2018 at New Perspective Senior Living, 8875 N. 60<sup>th</sup> St.; and

WHEREAS, Ruben Hale was born on January 5, 1923, in Earle, Arkansas to the union of Willie Monroe Hale and Lucile Hale; and

**WHEREAS**, Ruben Hale fought served his country in the United States Army as a Sergeant during World War II in the European Theatre, including Africa, Belgium, Italy, France and Germany, and earned Four Bronze Stars for his meritorious combat service; and

*WHEREAS*, Ruben Hale married Clarinda Walker on December 10, 1949 and moved with her to Milwaukee in 1950, and attended MSOE to earn his training; and

**WHEREAS**, Ruben Hale with his wife Clarinda owned many business but the most successful was Hale's Food Market where he was a pillar through his involvement in the business community; and

*WHEREAS*, *Ruben Hale was a loving father of eight children and happily married to his beloved wife Clarinda for 67 years, during which they enjoyed a happy life together; and* 

WHEREAS, Ruben Hale retired from the Ladish Company with pride and satisfaction as the first black general foreman of quality control in the turbine plant after more than 32 years of service; and

*WHEREAS*, Ruben Hale joined the American Legion in 1955, breaking the color barrier by serving as the 1st Black State of Wisconsin Department Vice Commander for Post 455, Milwaukee County Council Commander, 5<sup>th</sup> District Commander for VFW Post 10433; now, therefore, be it

**WHEREAS**, Ruben Hale will be remembered as a dedicated care giver to his wife, loving father, devoted grandfather and great grandfather and a pillar in the community; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Ruben Hale for his lengthy and distinguished service to the community and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine, upstanding man; and , be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Ruben Hale.

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