## BY THE COMMON COUNCIL

Resolution congratulating Preston D. Cole on his appointment to Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

WHEREAS,

## PRESTON D. COLE

has served with pride for more than 27 years of dedicated service to the city and was recognized and celebrated during a special gathering at City Hall on January 4, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Preston D. Cole has held several positions in his 27 year City of Milwaukee tenure which include Forestry Operations Supervisor, Assistant City Forester, City Forester, Environmental Services Superintendent, Director of Operations for DPW, and Commissioner of the Department of Neighborhood Services; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his professional career and with the commitment to community instilled upon him by his parents, Preston D. Cole has served on the boards of directors for many civic organizations including Wisconsin Center District, National Arbor Day Foundation, Mayor Tom Barrett's Green Team, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and The Water Council; and

WHEREAS, Preston D. Cole has earned recognition and accolades throughout his career from many organizations including Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful Lifetime Achievement Award (2017), City of Milwaukee Housing Authority Partnership Award (2017), UW-Stevens Point Wisconsin Conservation Leader of the Year (2016), Business Journal 40 Under 40 Award (1998); and

WHEREAS, Preston D. Cole's commitment to serving the citizens of Milwaukee by providing the necessary tools for his teams through workforce development programs is highlighted in his creation and implementation of the Department of Public Works University and Department of Neighborhood Services University, along with the Service Excellence Curriculum within both DPW and DNS; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Preston D. Cole on his service to the City of Milwaukee, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community for his exemplary service, and wishes for him continued success; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Preston D. Cole, an extraordinary public servant.

Introduced and approved on January 14, 2019 by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council: Michael J. Murphy, Ashanti Hamilton, Cavalier Johnson, Robert J. Bauman, Nik Kovac, Milele A. Coggs, Khalif J. Rainey, Robert G. Donovan, Chantia Lewis, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Terry L. Witkowski, Tony Zielinski, Russell W. Stamper, II and Nikiya Dodd.