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Resolution congratulating New Covenant Baptist Church on the occasion of its 40th anniversary celebration of faith and service.

WHEREAS,

## **NEW COVENANT BAPTIST CHURCH**

celebrated its 40th anniversary on June 9, 2019 at 2315 N. 38th St.; and

WHEREAS, The New Covenant Baptist Church, a thriving worship community in Milwaukee, was organized under the leadership of Dr. F. L. Crouther on June 10, 1979, and had its first service on June 17, 1979 at the Bethel Baptist Church Education facility; and

WHEREAS, On May 11, 1980, with faith and hope burning brightly, sustained by prayer and determination, the congregation of New Covenant Baptist Church was led by Pastor Crouther to their current edifice located at 2315 N. 38th St., soon being interrupted due to damage from a fire only 165 days after arrival in the building; and

WHEREAS, The congregation of New Covenant Baptist Church were shown great compassion and hospitality by neighbors in the faith community that invited them to worship in their own spaces until repairs could be made; and

WHEREAS, During their 40-year history, New Covenant Baptist Church has become a beacon of hope to its membership and community, addressing various needs of the congregation and the community, and established a number of corporations, programs and ministries under the leadership of Pastor Crouther; and

WHEREAS, New Covenant Baptist Church cites Proverbs 29:15 in stating, "Where there is no vision, the people perish," and holds true to their vision in order to "Equip believers for the work of Ministry, touching the world with the love of Christ," and has been blessed to answer the call and the needs of the church community and families spiritually, economically, socially and educationally over the last 40 years; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates New Covenant Baptist Church on its 40th anniversary, extends its sincere appreciation on behalf of the community and wishes for it continued success and prosperity; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to New Covenant Baptist Church.

Introduced by Common Council members Russell W. Stamper, II, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Mark A. Borkowski, Terry L. Witkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on April 16, 2019.