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Resolution recognizing the 48th Annual Juneteenth Day Celebration events June 19, 2019.

WHEREAS,

JUNETEENTH DAY

was celebrated June 19, 2019 with the annual street festival on N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr.; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee's participation in the annual Juneteenth Day Celebration, a national event commemorating the end of slavery in the United States, is in its 48th year and is Milwaukee's longest-running cultural festival; and

WHEREAS, Festivities opened with the sponsors Miller Coors Brewery Company, Beer Capitol Distributors, Milwaukee County Transit, Milwaukee Bucks, Milwaukee Brewers, Blood Center of Wisconsin, Gruber Law Offices, Helen Bader Foundation, Hupy Law Offices and Epikos Church and thousands of members of the community on June 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth Day commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement through a day, a week, or a month marked with celebrations, guest speakers, picnics and family gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Northcott Neighborhood House has served the community since 1961, and is a multi-purpose community center designed to maintain family stability, lessen neighborhood tensions, combat community deterioration and provide a variety of programs and services to the residents and has partnered with numerous Milwaukee agencies and organizations to sponsor Juneteenth Day events including the annual Juneteenth Day Parade with the 2019 grand marshal Adriane Griffin; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth Day is an essential event in Milwaukee and fulfills the mission of the Northcott Neighborhood House by providing programs for the neighborhood, the community and local youth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes Northcott Neighborhood House for its sponsorship of the 48th Annual Juneteenth Day Celebration in the City of Milwaukee and wishes the group continued success in fulfilling its mission; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to representatives of Northcott Neighborhood House.

Introduced by Common Council members Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Khalif J. Rainey, Chantia Lewis, Cavalier Johnson, Ashanti Hamilton and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on June 18, 2019.