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Resolution congratulating Raniyah Edwards for winning Miss Juneteenth 2019.

WHEREAS,

## **RANIYAH EDWARDS**

was crowned Miss Juneteenth 2019 on June 9, 2019, and was honored by the full Common Council on July 9, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Raniyah Edwards is a student at Pius XI Catholic High School and plans to attend a historically black college or university after graduation; and

**WHEREAS,** Raniyah Edwards utilized her gift for dance to excel in the Miss Juneteenth 2019 competition;

**WHEREAS**, Raniyah Edwards aims to obtain a Master of Fine Arts degree and create her own clothing boutique; and

WHEREAS, Miss Juneteenth contestants are judged on poise and personality, creativity, speech, talent, Afrocentric evening wear, responses to interview questions and a written essay; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth is a holiday celebrated in cities across the United States to commemorate the abolition of slavery, and the Milwaukee Juneteenth Day Celebration is a community-wide event planned as a street festival, with family-friendly activities and festivities, which include live music, games, art, vendors, exhibits, soul food and more; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Raniyah Edwards on being crowned Miss Juneteenth 2019 and extends its sincere wishes for her continued success and happiness; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Raniyah Edwards.

Introduced by Common Council members Milele A. Coggs, Ashanti Hamilton, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on July 9, 2019.