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Resolution commemorating 20 years of persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China by the Communist Party with "The Art of Zhen Shan Ren" art exhibit in the City Hall rotunda August 26-30, 2019.

WHEREAS,

WISCONSIN FALUN DAFA ASSOCIATION

commemorated the 20th anniversary of Falun Gong persecution in China by the Communist Party with "The Art of Zhen Shan Ren" art exhibit in the City Hall rotunda August 26-30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Falun Gong is a practice that has benefited millions of people around the world, and has allowed its followers to experience moral guidance as well as improved health; and

WHEREAS, Falun Gong centers around gentle exercise and contains a meditation component which combine for the practitioner to experience an inner balance, and Falun Gong also teaches three basic principles of truthfulness, compassion and tolerance, that allow the practitioner to further their personal awareness; and

WHEREAS, Falun Gong is a peaceful, spiritual discipline that practices non-violence, whose practitioners have bravely spoken out against the Chinese Communist Party and the brutal persecution to which practitioners are subjected because of their beliefs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes and commemorates the 20^{th} anniversary of persecution of Falun Gong practitioners, and thanks the Wisconsin Falun Dafa Association for helping raise awareness of Falun Gong oppression in China through "The Art of Zhen Shan Ren" art exhibit; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Wisconsin Falun Dafa Association.

Introduced by Common Council members Tony Zielinski, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, José G. Pérez Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Nikiya Dodd approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on September 4, 2019.