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Resolution expressing condolences to the family of Mike Anderson, who passed from this life on April 21, 2020.

WHEREAS,

MIKE ANDERSON

passed from this life on April 21, 2020 at age 67; and

WHEREAS, *A native of New Orleans, Mike Anderson graduated from Louisiana State University and began his career as a radio journalist in Birmingham, Alabama and moved to Milwaukee in 1981 after working at KIRO-TV in Seattle; and*

WHEREAS, *Mike Anderson interviewed many public figures and officials, including four previous presidents, and covered Summerfest celebrations 35 years in a row; and*

WHEREAS, *Mike Anderson provided high-quality and heartfelt reporting on the devastation of Ward 9, his childhood home, after Hurricane Katrina struck New Orleans in 2005; and*

WHEREAS, *Mike Anderson, who retired in 2017 as a reporter at WISN-TV, Channel 12 after 36 years of reporting and anchoring the news, was a trailblazing force in Milwaukee TV news, and received awards from the Milwaukee Press Club, the National Association of Black Journalists, Milwaukee Public Schools, the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association and other organizations for his documentaries, reporting and community service; and*

WHEREAS, *Mike Anderson was a seasoned professional who played a key role in morning, nightly and weekend news in Milwaukee for decades, served as valued mentor and friend to many journalists, and served the public with his reporting; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith offers its sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mike Anderson, and mourns the passing of this fine, upstanding man; and, be it*

FURTHER RESOLVED, *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mike Anderson.*

Introduced by Common Council members Chantia Lewis, Milele A. Coggs, José G. Pérez, Nikiya Dodd, Scott Spiker, Mark A. Borkowski, Ashanti Hamilton, Khalif J. Rainey, Cavalier Johnson and Russell W. Stamper, II and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 27, 2020.