BY ALDS. KOVAC, BAUMAN, JOHNSON, SPIKER, DODD, BORKOWSKI, HAMILTON, COGGS, STAMPER, PEREZ, LEWIS, RAINEY

Resolution expressing condolences to the family and friends of Michael J. Barron who passed from this life on February 28, 2021.

WHEREAS,

MICHAEL J. BARRON

passed from this life at the age of 87 on February 28, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Michael J. Barron was proud to say he was a devout Catholic and perennial East Sider and lived his entire life within a one-mile radius of his childhood home, and he cherished his family more than anything and was the dear husband to Mary Lu Barron, and a dedicated father to Mary Beth Barron, and Kate Barron, and a loving grandparent to Fitz and Grace Tobias; and

WHEREAS, Michael J. Barron received his bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and was Student Bar President at Marquette University Law School, and Judge Michael J. Barron was elected to the Wisconsin Assembly the same day in 1960 that John F. Kennedy was elected U.S. President and remained in continuous elected office for 40 years; and

WHEREAS, Judge Michael J. Barron nobly served on the bench for 26 years presiding over nearly 600 trials, and he continued his career as President of the now National Association of Presiding Judges and as the Chief Financial Officer for its national conference, and as Chief Judge, he assisted with the creation of the nation's second special Drug Court in support of a better system that allows for treatment retention and lower recidivism rates, and upon his retirement he became Chairman of the Wisconsin Reserve Judges Association; and

WHEREAS, Michael. J Barron was a Milwaukee civic leader, the original Milwaukee Irish Fest Freckle Contest Judge, a committed and regular participant in the Lake Park 4th of July ceremonies and a true family man; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith expresses its condolences to the family and friends of Michael J. Barron and mourns with deep sorrow the passing of this fine and honorable man; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Michael J. Barron

Introduced by Common Council members Nik Kovac, Robert J. Bauman, Cavalier Johnson, Scott Spiker, Nikiya Dodd, Mark A. Borkowski, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis and Khalif J. Rainey and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on March 23, 2021.