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Resolution recognizing October 15<sup>th</sup> as White Cane Day.

Whereas,

## WHITE CANE DAY

Was recognized and celebrated by Beyond Vision on October, 15 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, White Cane Safety Day was first recognized in 1964 to celebrate the achievements of people who are blind or visually impaired and Wisconsin's White Cane Day also seeks to educate the public about Wisconsin's White Cane Law; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's White Cane Law requires that motorists come to a full stop before approaching closer than 10 feet to a pedestrian who is using a white cane or service animal which are universally recognized symbols representing individuals with vision loss; and

WHEREAS, Locally, Beyond Vision employs people who are blind or visually impaired and has worked to enrich the lives of Americans who are blind through the dignity of work valued by customers and the community; and

WHEREAS, Beyond Vision has worked to educate the community on the state White Cane Law as reckless driving has become an increased concern in Milwaukee for those persons who utilize public streets, sidewalks and places of public accommodation; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith recognizes October 15 as White Cane Day; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Beyond Vision in recognition of this day.

Introduced by Common Council members Mark A. Borkowski, Cavalier Johnson, Ashanti Hamilton, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Scott Spiker, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey, Alderwoman Marina Dimitrijevic, Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on October 12, 2021.