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Resolution congratulating Greater Mount Sinai Church of God In Christ on its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

## WHEREAS,

## **GREATER MOUNT SINAI C.O.G.I.C.**

celebrated its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of faith and love at Osthoff Resort November 19 – November 21, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, The late Rev. Walter R. Davis and his wife Myrtle M. Davis founded Mount Sinai Church of God In Christ in the basement of the family home in the 3500 block of N. 13<sup>th</sup> St. during the early 1960s, and in its early years the church moved to a storefront and several other buildings until locating at its current site at N. 60<sup>th</sup> St. and W. Custer Ave. in 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, Prior to his passing the Rev. Walter R. Davis asked his son, the Rev. Victor C. Davis Sr., to rename the church Greater Mount Sinai C.O.G.I.C. because he believed that the church and his son would do greater things in future, and his belief was true; and

WHEREAS, The Greater Mount Sinai congregation has seen steady and strong growth, and dedicated the new church in 2008 to accommodate its bustling life, with a 1,700-seat sanctuary, offices, meeting space, a multipurpose room, and a 500-seat performing arts theater with an adjoining banquet hall; and

**WHEREAS**, The Rev. Victor C. Davis Sr. has a motto – "The Bush is Still Burning" – and that motto is beautifully reflected in the burning bush sculpture that graces the new church's triangular prayer tower, and the fiery logo symbolizes the ever-strong faith and hope of its members and their dedication to the community; and

WHEREAS, Greater Mount Sinai has been able to move forward in its growth and development, received grants to provide free Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), renovated and converted the apartment building across the street from the church to the Myrtle M. Davis Senior Citizen Complex, constructed the Walter Riley Davis Senior Citizen Complex, honoring and in loving memory of the Late Founder, celebrated the New Church Groundbreaking in 2006, filled with emotions, and with the passing of the Mantel, July 6, 2008, was a full day of celebrations as the congregation moved back home on North 60th Street and witnessed, "A Promise Fulfilled. The Vision Unfolded"; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Greater Mount Sinai Church of God in Christ on its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, and wishes it continued prosperity; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Greater Mount Sinai Church of God in Christ.

Introduced by Common Council members Cavalier Johnson, Ashanti Hamilton, JoCasta Zamarripa, Milele A. Coggs, Russell W. Stamper, II, Mark A. Borkowski, Scott Spiker, José G. Pérez, Chantia Lewis, Khalif J. Rainey and Nikiya Dodd and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on November 2, 2021.