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ALD. LEWIS, RAINEY, COGGS, KOVAC, PEREZ, STAMPER, II, AND DODD
Resolution urging the Fire and Police Commission to require members of the Milwaukee Police Department to provide individual business cards when encountering an individual or group of individuals.
This resolution urges the Fire and Police Commission to require members of the Milwaukee Police Department to provide business cards to any individual or groups of individuals they encounter during the course of their official duties.
Whereas, Police provide an essential service to our community; and

Whereas, Effective policing is based on community cooperation and trust; and

Whereas, Officers providing their own business cards to members of the public with whom they interact promotes a congenial atmosphere that promotes trust; and

Whereas, Cities including New York, NY, Albany, NY, Seattle, WA, and Portland, OR, already require police to provide business cards following a number of different interactions with the public; and

Whereas, The practice of “stop and frisk” has come under intense scrutiny in recent years, including in Milwaukee; and

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Whereas, The need for police oversight and accountability has only grown in light of the global, racial -justice protest movement that has arisen in response to the deaths of George Floyd, Eric Garner Michael Brown and other unarmed Black men; and

Whereas, Police working anonymously is antithetical to their role as protectors of American's constitutional rights; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Common Council urges the Fire and Police Commission to require members of the Milwaukee Police Department to provide their business cards when they encounter an individual or group of individuals; and, be it

Further Resolved, That each business card should include the name, rank and command of the officer and the contact information for the Fire and Police Commission; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Common Council requests the Fire and Police Commission submit a report on its progress within six months of adoption of this resolution.

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Christopher H. Hillard
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