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4/20/2021	1	COMMON COUNCIL	Adopt Under Suspension of Rules 2.04, 2.05, 2.24, and 2.25	Pass
4/13/2021	1	Council Office	RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES 2.04, 2.05, 2.24, & 2.25 - MISC. ITEMS	

Fiscal Note

No appropriation required.

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Commending and thanking Alderperson Shiva Bidar for her dedicated service to the constituents in District 5 and to the City of Madison.

Body

WHEREAS, Alderperson Shiva Bidar was elected to the Madison Common Council on April 7, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar served on the Ad Hoc Committee to Investigate Alcohol Use in Parks and Central City; Ad Hoc Landmarks Ordinance Review Committee; Administrative Review Board; Alcohol License Review Committee; Alder Workgroup to Develop Logistics & Operational Details for MPD Independent Civilian Oversight; Board of Education-Common Council Liaison Committee; Board of Estimates; City-County Liaison Committee; Common Council Executive Committee; Common Council Organizational Committee; Community Development Block Grant Committee; Community Development Division Conference Committee; Community Services Committee; Complete Count Committee; Early Childhood Care and Education Committee; Education Committee; Finance Committee; Jeffrey Clay Erlanger Civility in Public Discourse Award Committee; Joint Campus Area Committee; Judge Doyle Square Committee; Low Income Bus Pass Program Committee; Madison Food Policy Council; President’s Work Group on Police & Community Relations; and TIF Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar was elected by her peers to serve as Common Council President in 2013 and again in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar brought to the Council an array of personal skills and gifts, including an ability to span and unite diverse communities; an almost superhuman work ethic; an understanding of the nuances of her district as well as other districts, helping her balance district needs with the needs of the city at large; a sense of urgency to prioritize action over rhetoric; and an overriding sense of compassion and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar was an expert on policy making, from evidence-based best practice research to planning and budgeting and ensuring buy-in for adoption, all the way through equitable implementation and evaluation; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar was a master of non-verbal communication among council members, and could with one glance convey any emotion, from agreement to exasperation to “don’t even think about it,” and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar developed strong relationships with her colleagues, acting as an ongoing advisor, mentor, and true friend; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar is a great connector, able to connect “the dots” and, equally important, to connect people, bringing them together for a thoughtful, broad approach to issues; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar worked diligently with City staff on much needed improvements to the Randall School/Olive Jones Park and Stevens Park as well as numerous traffic calming projects in District 5; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar led the creation of the Emerging Opportunities Program to allow funding of unanticipated community services needs and innovative programs; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar championed many immigrant rights resolutions and Council actions affirming the City of Madison as an open and welcoming city, condemning the presence of Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE) in our city, and ensuring a clear MPD standard operating procedure regarding non-cooperation with ICE; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar provided leadership and subject matter expertise to create the City of Madison Language Access Plan; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Bidar advocated for and cosponsored the creation of the MPD Policy & Procedures Review Ad Hoc Committee, the funding of the OIR report and the creation of MPD Civilian Oversight Board and Independent Monitor; and

WHEREAS, Alderperson Shiva Bidar, through her hard work and dedication to her aldermanic duties, has faithfully and with honor served her constituents and the City of Madison;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council commend and thank Alderperson Shiva Bidar for her dedicated service to her constituents in District 5 and to the City of Madison.