

# Office of the Mayor

CITY OF MILWAUKEE



# Proclamation



**Whereas:**

The City of Milwaukee proudly joins Marquette University, students, faculty, alumni and community members in celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Marquette University Educational Opportunity Program and the inaugural First-Generation College Celebration on Friday, November 8, 2019; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Marquette University Educational Opportunity Program was established in 1969, as an institutional program by Arnold Mitchem, through the combined efforts of students, faculty and staff who believed that a Marquette education should be made more accessible to low income, first-generation and minority students; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Marquette University Educational Opportunity Program contains five programs: Student Support Services and McNair Scholars for current students, Upward Bound Math and Science, Upward Bound and Educational Talent Search which serves as pre-college services for Milwaukee-area high school students; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Marquette University Educational Opportunity Program has earned a reputation as one of the most distinguished, admired and respected federal TRIO programs that continues to benefit thousands of current Marquette students and has succeeded in aiding Marquette alumni toward careers as cardiologists, judges, teachers, legislators, CEOs and many other impressive careers; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Marquette University Educational Opportunity Program teamed with the Center for First-Generation Student Success in 2017 and will launch their inaugural First-Generation College Celebration on November 8, 2019; and,

**WHEREAS,** The City of Milwaukee congratulates the Marquette University Educational Opportunity Program on 50 years of dedicated service and leadership, recognizes its outstanding contributions to the community and wishes it many more years of success;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOM BARRETT,** Mayor of the City of Milwaukee, do hereby proclaim Friday, November 8, 2019, to be

**MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM  
AND FIRST-GENERATION CELEBRATION DAY**

throughout the City of Milwaukee.