

***WHEREAS, the South Shore Chamber of Commerce has chosen South Milwaukee's Parkway Floral as a recipient of its 2018 Outstanding Business Award, to be presented at the Annual Awards Dinner on September 27, 2018, and***

***WHEREAS, Parkway Floral is a full-service, independent, local florist that was founded in 1951 with a mission to create beautiful sentiments that enhance the lives of others. Current owners Leah Manthey and Carly Johnson have worked hard to maintain that mission, first as employees in high school and apprentices before taking over the business; and***

***WHEREAS, the flower shop has remained a strong local business focused on sourcing high quality, local products and tending to their clients on a more personalized level amid an increasingly competitive landscape, winning awards along the way from WISN A-List, the Shepherd Express and the Wisconsin State Fair, among others; and***

***WHEREAS, In addition to their business, Leah and Carly dedicate much of their personal time to volunteerism and leadership in the South Milwaukee community and its downtown through Milwaukee Avenue revitalization projects, the Growing South Milwaukee community garden, and many fundraising events. Leah is also president of the South Milwaukee Community & Business Association.***

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Erik Brooks, and the Common Council of the City of South Milwaukee, along with Mayor John Hohenfeldt of the City of Cudahy and Mayor Ken Tutaj of the City of St. Francis, do hereby extend our sincerest congratulations to Parkway Floral for being recognized by the South Shore Chamber of Commerce and for its continued contributions to the entire South Shore and its quality of life.***

***Dated this 27th day of September, 2018.***

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**Mayor Erik Brooks**

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**Mayor John Hohenfeldt**

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**Mayor Ken Tutaj**