Alderman Pérez thanks Journey House for its participation in Hispanic Heritage Month

Statement of Alderman José G. Pérez
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As we head into our last week of Hispanic Heritage month, I want to thank the Journey House Felix Mantilla Little League for its memorable participation. The “One Dream, One Team” mural in City Hall has shown us a glimpse of what Felix Mantilla has provided our community, which can only be summed up as a truly positive experience.

The mural reflects a five-day exchange between Milwaukee and Puerto Rico’s little league baseball teams. Local Milwaukee artist Julio Cordova, and assistant artists Eric Ledesma and Ricardo Galaviz, had the Scholar Athletes place the imprint of their baseball gloves to display their unity through this public art. About a month after the exchange, Hurricane Maria devastated the island of Puerto Rico, yet the connections and relationships built during the exchange have remained strong.

Journey House has forever changed people’s lives in our community. Not only has it taught our children healthy competition, it teaches them life skills while creating a positive and lasting impact on our community.

Journey House has taken its commitment to our community to the next level, and I speak for the entire community when I say we are grateful.

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