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The Common Council congratulates Giannis Antetokounmpo on winning the 2018-19 NBA MVP Award

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We heartily congratulate Milwaukee Bucks star Giannis Antetokounmpo on winning the 2018-19 Most Valuable Player Award at last night's NBA Awards ceremony. Mr. Antetokounmpo is an inspiration for all Milwaukeeans, especially given his support and strong connection to his family, resilience in the face of hardship and passion for the game of basketball.

Giannis Antetokounmpo is the first Bucks MVP since Kareem Abdul-Jabbar during the 1973-74 season and is also the third-youngest player to win MVP in 40 years. Mr. Antetokounmpo rose from a childhood of poverty in Greece and now holds the NBA's biggest individual award, showing the power of hard work and determination.

In addition to honoring Mr. Antetokounmpo, the Common Council would also like to recognize the Milwaukee Bucks organization, as it has quickly become one of the top franchises in the NBA. This success is further highlighted by two additional awards won at last night's ceremony, with Mike Budenholzer winning Coach of the Year and Jon Horst receiving Executive of the Year. With these top-level leaders guiding the franchise, the future of the Milwaukee Bucks is bright.

We are immensely proud of Giannis Antetokounmpo and the Bucks, and we know they can bring an NBA Championship back to Milwaukee!