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Dear Mayor Nickels, Council President Brey, and Members of the Common Council,

It is with humility and respect that I forward my appreciation to your honorable body for granting that a street be named "Crawford Boulevard" in recognition of my service to the families of the City of Manitowoc.

This action also honors the alderpersons that served over the same years as I and the professional staff of all city departments that carried out the policy decisions of the elected officials during our joint tenure.

The event arranged by Mayor Nickels was well choreographed and the content touched on the many significant events that occurred from 1989 to 2009, the time I served in office.

More importantly, the Mayor allowed for family and friends to be key participants in the event. Our daughter, Brittany Gehrke, sang the national anthem. Our son, Adam Crawford, did a review of family life from a "kid's" point of view while his dad was Mayor. Past Council President and good friend, Dolly Stokes, told some of the back stories of certain events. Finally, the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, who are close allies with the City of Manitowoc, blessed the event and Crawford Boulevard.

Of course, Mayor Nickels' work as emcee was enthusiastic, and his complimentary remarks were appreciated by the audience. The event was enjoyed by all assembled. Our children were as taken by this honor, as were Laurie and I, and the public response to the dedication has been supportive and gratifying.

Thank you again for this amazing honor. Since my retirement, I continue to serve our families in many volunteer capacities and, if called to serve the city government in a like fashion, I would be delighted to do so.

Warmest regards

Kevin M. Crawford