

**Resolution Number 55**  
**Barbara A. Washington**

**WHEREAS**, the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc., Inc. in cooperation with the St. Louis Community Empowerment Foundation has selected 16 distinguished women to be honored at the *Salute to Women in Leadership Gala* celebrated on Friday, June 20 held at the Renaissance Grand Hotel in downtown St. Louis, Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc., Inc. under the leadership of its President and CEO, Michael McMillan, strives to enhance the lives of individuals within the entire Metropolitan area of St. Louis and St. Clair County in Illinois by focusing on education, economic and housing development, senior programs, social services, and neighborhood stabilization and the recognitions of outstanding women who have demonstrated beyond the call of duty service to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Barbara A. Washington is the recipient of the Salute to Women in Leadership Civic Award for her outstanding services as Vice President of Public Relations and Special Events at Mathews-Dickey Boys' & Girls' Club where she has generated more than \$2 million for the Club's programs one of which is the "Spirit of St. Louis Dinner Roast and the Sky is the Limit, career readiness program; and

**WHEREAS**, Barbara A. Washington is a native of the Mississippi Delta with an extended stay in Germany prior to her 30 year residency in St. Louis, MO.; and

**WHEREAS**, Barbara A. Washington has received numerous awards including the Spirit of Women award presented at a national ceremony in Washington, D.C., the City of St. Louis Crystal Paperweight; Media Person of the Year by the Press Club of Metropolitan St. Louis; and

**WHEREAS**, Barbara A. Washington is a recording artist with four outstanding CDs which are "Amazing Grace," "Down by the Riverside," "Season's Changing," and "Love at Last;" and

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Louis owes its greatness to the tireless efforts and lofty standards of leading women such as Barbara A. Washington, recipient of the Salute to Women in Leadership Award for Civic Services for her career achievements demonstrate a dedicated, altruistic commitment to her fellow citizens.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Barbara A. Washington and we wish her continued success, achievement and accomplishment and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 6th day of June, 2014 by:

**Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderwoman 19th Ward**  
Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board of Aldermen

Adopted this the 6th day of June, 2014 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen