

Resolution Number 61
Kathleen M. Mazzarella

WHEREAS, the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, 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. 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, Kathleen M. Mazzarella is the recipient of *the Salute to Women in Leadership Corporate Award* for her outstanding service as Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer at Graybar and a member of its Board of Directors since 2004 in addition to serving on the board of Graybar Canada from 2004-2009; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen M. Mazzarella's business achievements and community involvement earned her the honor as one of the Most Influential Businesswomen in St. Louis by the St. Louis Business Journal; her views on human resources strategy were included as a chapter in *Inside the Minds*, featured as one of the *Women Worth Watching* in the Profiles in Diversity Journal, and received the Outstanding Alumna Award from George Herbert Walker School of Business & Technology at Webster University among many other recognitions; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen M. Mazzarella has inspired women and helped promote their careers in the wholesale distribution industry and as a member of the International Women's Forum; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen M. Mazzarella has received two of Graybar's most prestigious awards for top performance in sales and excellence in communications as well as her dedicated commitment to the community serving on such boards of the St. Louis Regional Chamber of Commerce, United Way of Greater St. Louis, Civic Progress, St. Louis Club, the NAW Institution and advisory boards for NAED Channel Advantage Partnership, the Webster University School of Business and Technology and U.S. Bank.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the Kathleen M. Mazzarella 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:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen