

**RESOLUTION 51  
MS. CATHY HUGHES**

**WHEREAS**, the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc. has selected 19 distinguished women to be honored at the *Salute to Women in Leadership Gala* celebrated on Friday, June 15, 2018, and held at the Marriott St. Louis 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 and Madison Counties in Illinois by focusing on self-empowerment through 26 programs fostering education, economic and social services, neighborhood stabilization, and the recognition of outstanding women who have gone beyond the call of duty in service to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Cathy Hughes is the recipient of the Salute to Women in Leadership Urban League Guild Member of the Year Award for her tireless work in her community; and

**WHEREAS**, Catherine L. Hughes is an African-American entrepreneur, radio, television and movie personality, business executive and owner. Hughes founded the media company Radio One (now known as Urban One), becoming the first African-American woman to head a publicly traded corporation. Ms. Hughes pioneered the urban radio format called "The Quiet Storm" on Howard University's WHUR. Ms. Hughes famously led the largest newspaper boycott in history due to bias coverage of African Americans and was recently honored with a three-day celebration in recognition of her historic accomplishments. Recipient: Salute to Women in Leadership Media Icon Award. This award is presented by the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis 2018.

**WHEREAS**, our region owes its greatness to the tireless efforts and lofty standards of leading women such as Ms. Cathy Hughes, recipient of the Salute to Women in Leadership Urban League Guild Member of the Year Award for her career achievements, who has demonstrated 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 Ms. Cathy Hughes as a Salute to Women in Leadership Urban League Guild Member of the Year Award Honoree, and we wish our honoree continued success, achievement, and accomplishment. 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 honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 15th day of June, 2018, by:

**The Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman 19th Ward**

Adopted this the 15th day of June, 2018, as attested by:

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Louis Galli  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen