

RESOLUTION 119
Jodh Kaur

WHEREAS, Jodh Kaur, daughter of Prithipal Singh Puri, was born September 21, 1942 in Rawalpindi, British India; and

WHEREAS, she survived the tragedy of the 1947 India partition, and successfully migrated with her family from West Punjab to Kolkata, West Bengal, India; and

WHEREAS, there she married Harkrishan Gundiok on February 3, 1963 and raised a beautiful family of four children: Monica, Simmi, Soni and Harinder; and

WHEREAS, when her husband passed away on October 6, 1977, she then persevered in the face of widowhood and worked to support her family on her own by becoming a teacher; and

WHEREAS, she served the children of India and the community of Kolkata by teaching elementary school for over eight years at St. Ann's School; and

WHEREAS, she has set an example of entrepreneurship and represents hope and the "American Dream" to other immigrants coming to this country by starting Rasoi, her own restaurant and catering business; and

WHEREAS, she continues to contribute to the St. Louis economy and gives herself selflessly to her faith and the Sikh community; and

WHEREAS, she is a loving Grandmother to six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, on this, the 75th year of her birth, we formally celebrate Jodh Kaur.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by this honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to extend honorable wishes to Jodh Kaur 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 honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 30th day of August, 2017 by:

The Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman 19th Ward

Adopted this 30th day of August, 2017 as attested by:

Donna Elliot
Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen