

RESOLUTION No. 146  
5<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF SET THE PACE ST. LOUIS

**WHEREAS**, in 2013, the City of St. Louis launched an innovative energy efficiency financing program which includes Property Assessed Clean Energy financing, also known as PACE, providing 100 percent private funding for energy retrofits to City property owners – with no public dollars;

**WHEREAS**, to date, Set the PACE St. Louis has delivered more than \$28 million to fund 100 energy efficiency and renewable energy projects in the City, created over 428 good-paying local jobs, and abated 34,000 metric tons of climate pollution in the form of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions;

**WHEREAS**, Set the PACE St. Louis has on a per capita basis provided more commercial PACE funding than any other individual PACE jurisdiction in the United States;

**WHEREAS**, Set the PACE St. Louis program administrator Ygrene Energy Fund has advanced the City priority of inclusion by training minority and women contractors and conducting pre-apprenticeship workshops with MOKAN Contractors Assistance Center to develop lasting careers in the growing clean energy economy;

**WHEREAS**, Set the PACE St. Louis has helped property owners lower their energy bills and consumption with projects to date representing \$57 million in utility bill savings and \$71 million in economic stimulus, thus aiding the City of St. Louis in meeting its bold sustainability and economic development goals;

**WHEREAS**, the relationship of Set the PACE St. Louis with the City of St. Louis represents one of the best examples of public-private partnership currently co-administered by Ygrene Energy Fund and Rockwood Asset Management, designed to promote choice, allow homeowners to upgrade their homes and generate local jobs;

**WHEREAS**, more than 2.2 million Americans work in the energy efficiency sector in local, good-paying, clean energy jobs that can't be outsourced and increasing efficiency will create more of them; and

**WHEREAS**, smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity we need to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant emissions that can harm our health, pollute our air, and warm our climate;

**WHEREAS**, residents of City of St. Louis can continue to contribute to our energy efficiency efforts by learning about participating in our clean-energy financing program, Set the PACE St. Louis; and

**WHEREAS**, a nationwide network of energy efficiency groups and partners has designated October 5th as the national annual Energy Efficiency Day;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City of St. Louis Board of Aldermen, that we hereby proclaim October 5, 2018, as “ENERGY EFFICIENCY DAY” in the City of St. Louis, and recognize this day as the fifth anniversary of Set the PACE St. Louis, the first PACE program launched in the greater St. Louis Metropolitan region, and the vital role this public-private partnership has played to help our City be a national leader in energy efficiency and sustainability 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 on the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of October, 2018 by:

**Honorable Heather Navarro, Alderwoman 28<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Honorable Beth Murphy, Alderwoman 13<sup>th</sup> Ward

Honorable Megan E. Green, Alderwoman 15<sup>th</sup> Ward

Honorable Dan Guenther, Alderman 9<sup>th</sup> Ward

Honorable Christine Ingrassia, Alderwoman 6<sup>th</sup> Ward

Honorable Sharon Tyus, Alderwoman 1<sup>st</sup> Ward

Honorable Carol Howard, Alderwoman 14<sup>th</sup> Ward

Adopted this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 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