RESOLUTION NUMBER 18
Deborah Patterson

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that Deborah Patterson will be receiving the Business Award from the St. Louis Community Empowerment Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Patterson received a Bachelor of Science in Administration of Justice and a Master of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Missouri. She has also been a participant in the Harvard Kennedy School program for senior executives in government and the St. Louis Leadership Program; and

WHEREAS, Deborah leads Monsanto Company's global contributions and volunteer program. Her primary duties are to further establish Monsanto as an influential and impactful corporate citizen; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining Monsanto, Deborah was Chief Executive Officer of the St. Louis Metropolitan Chapter—American Red Cross for five years. Her career also includes ten years of public service in St. Louis government. She served as Executive Director of the St. Louis City Employment and Training Agency for five years and was the mayor's top advisor for housing and economic development issues for the balance of her government career; and

WHEREAS, involvement in the community is an integral part of her life. She currently serves on the Girl Scouts of Greater St. Louis President's Advisory Board and Board President FOCUS St. Louis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Deborah Patterson 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 1st day of May, 2009 by:

Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderman 19th Ward

Adopted this the 1st day of May, 2009 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney   Lewis E. Reed
Clerk, Board of Aldermen   President, Board of Aldermen