

## RESOLUTION NUMBER 18

### Michele Affinito

**WHEREAS**, the Italian National Team for the World Championships of student robotics is represented by the Technical Institute of the Fondazione “Villaggio dei Ragazzi” of Maddaloni, Italy; and

**WHEREAS**, The *FIRST* Robotics Competition is an exciting, multinational competition that teams professionals and high school students to solve an engineering design problem in an intense and competitive way; the competition is being held once again in St. Louis at the America’s Center, Edward Jones Dome; and

**WHEREAS**, the Italian National Team consists of a tutor, a coach, the principal of the Technical Institute of the Fondazione, and eight students; and

**WHEREAS**, the team’s tutor is Luigi Ferraiuolo, who was born in Lodi (Milan), Italy, and works as a journalist at the Italian television station TV2000; he is a university teacher of theory and techniques communication; and

**WHEREAS**, the coach, Professor Michele Affinito, is a graduate of the Fondazione “Villaggio dei Ragazzi”; Professor Affinito is an electrical engineer and works on electronics research for Cisco and Micron; Professor Affinito was born in Caserta, Italy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dean (Principal) of the Technical Institute of the Fondazione, Professor Claudio Petrone, is an electrical engineer and works on electronics research for Cisco and Micron in electronics research; he was born in Maddaloni, Italy; and

**WHEREAS**, the robotics team consists of eight students from the Technical Institute of the Fondazione between the ages of 16 and 19 years, and they have traveled far in order to compete for the world championship and deserve our congratulations.

**NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to welcome to our City and to congratulate for their accomplishments Mr. Luigi Ferraiuolo, Mr. Michele Affinito, Mr. Claudio Petrone, and the Italian National Team of Student Robotics from the Technical Institute of the Fondazione “Villaggio dei Ragazzi” of Maddaloni and wish them the best of luck in their endeavors. 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 presented at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 29th day of April, 2016, by:

**The Honorable Joseph Vaccaro, Alderman 23rd Ward**

Adopted this the 29th day of April, 2016, as attested by:

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Timothy O’Connell  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen