

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 38
RECOGNIZING DELTA DAY AT ST. LOUIS CITY HALL**

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was founded on January 13, 1913, by twenty-two visionary woman at Howard University; and

WHEREAS, since that day Delta members have been actively involved in almost every major social movement in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the first public act performed by the Delta founders involved their participation in the historic Women’s Suffrage March in Washington, D.C. during March of 1913; and

WHEREAS, originally chartered as Lambda Sigma in 1926, the Saint Louis Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta continues to be committed to public service and social activism; and

WHEREAS, the St. Louis Alumnae Chapter served as the home of the sorority’s 14th national president Frankie Muse Freeman; and

WHEREAS, for 25 years, the chapter has supported academic excellence by securing over \$1.5 million to assist over 300 young African American women with their college costs; and

WHEREAS, the Chapter has expanded its service area to include St. Charles county in order to amplify our community service beyond the city boundaries; and

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta continues to lift their collective voices on issues at the local, state and federal levels that impact their 1,000 collegiate and alumnae chapters located in the United States, Japan (Tokyo and Okinawa), Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica and the Republic of Korea; and

WHEREAS, on Friday, May 10, 2019, Deltas from throughout the St. Louis metropolitan area will gather to celebrate the annual “Delta Day at St. Louis City Hall.”

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and honor the members of the St. Louis Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and we thank them for their tireless efforts on behalf of the citizens of this community and we direct the Clerk of this Board to prepare a commemorative copy of this Resolution to the end that it may be presented to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 10th day of May 2019 by:

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board of Aldermen

Adopted this the 10th day of May 2019 as attested:

Terry Kennedy
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen