

**RESOLUTION NO. 55**  
**Rock The Community**

**WHEREAS**, In 2011 Rodney March, Rita Pruitt, Sonny Metcalfe, Radio-one station Hot 104.1, Eagle Bank, and Harris-Stowe State University, in partnership with Ballpark Village and The Social Newspaper, developed “Rock The Community” family events to empower downtown residents with positive programming and the opportunity to enjoy live music and local vendors who make significant contributions in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, The Social Newspaper was created in 2013 by Rodney March and is a full print newspaper printing 60,000 copies every two weeks; and

**WHEREAS**, The Social Newspaper distributes in Illinois, the City of St. Louis, St. Louis County, St. Charles, and Columbia, Missouri, and is an MBE/WBE-certified business; and

**WHEREAS**, The Social Newspaper provides leadership and works diligently to eliminate barriers to eradicate racial inequality and poverty.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Rock The Community and The Social Newspaper for their selfless contributions to our community 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 at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 12th day June, 2016, by:

**Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President, St. Louis City Board of Aldermen**

Adopted this 12th day June, 2016, as attested by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Timothy O’Connell  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen