

RESOLUTION NO. 64

Linda Harris

WHEREAS, the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc. has selected 14 distinguished women to be honored at the *Salute to Women in Leadership Gala* celebrated on Friday, June 17, 2016, and held at the Marriott St. Louis Grand Hotel in downtown St. Louis, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc., under the leadership of its President and CEO, Michael McMillan, strives to enhance the lives of individuals within the entire Metropolitan area of St. Louis and St. Clair and Madison Counties in Illinois by focusing on self empowerment through 26 programs fostering education, economic and social services, neighborhood stabilization, and the recognition of outstanding women who have gone beyond the call of duty in service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Linda Harris is the recipient of the Salute to Women in Leadership Urban League Employee of the Year Award for her work as Senior Vice President of Administration and Compliance for the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harris is an accomplished Senior Executive who provides exceptional management and leadership for the administrative and compliance functions of the Urban League; her strong, solid history of performance in organizational development has rendered her a go-to person in her field; and

WHEREAS, with over 20 years' experience in Social Services, Linda has been a key figure at the Urban League; she has brought a wealth of knowledge, skills, and understanding to every capacity of the corporation in which she has served; she is frequently lauded for her uncanny ability to supervise, lead, and instruct, while simultaneously providing unparalleled levels of motivation, support, and genuine care and concern for those with whom she works; it has been stated that "*Linda makes every place that she touches a better, brighter, more wonderful place to be. She is so dynamic that she makes coming to work a winsome delight!*"; and

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri owes its greatness to the tireless efforts and lofty standards of leading women such as Linda Harris, recipient of the Salute to Women in Leadership Urban League Employee of the Year Award for her career achievements, who has demonstrated a dedicated, altruistic commitment to her fellow citizens.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Linda Harris as a Salute to Women in Leadership Urban League Employee of the Year Award Honoree and we wish our honoree 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 honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 17th day of June, 2016, by:

The Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman 19th Ward

Adopted this the 17th day of June, 2016, as attested by:

Timothy O'Connell
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen