

RESOLUTION NO. 65

Marsha Rusnack

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, Marsha Rusnack is the recipient of the Salute to Women in Leadership Civic Leadership Award for her tireless work in our community; and

WHEREAS, Marsha Rusnack has a passion for giving; she is every organization's perfect event chair, fundraiser, and board member; her interests vary, but she is most committed to programs for children, especially those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rusnack has served as a volunteer with children and education since college; her involvement began with the Head Start Program in suburban Chicago; and

WHEREAS, for the Mercy Foundation, she serves as co-chair of the annual Mardi Gras celebration to support the foundation's JFK Community Health clinic; and

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri owes its greatness to the tireless efforts and lofty standards of leading women such as Marsha Rusnack, recipient of the Salute to Women in Leadership Civic Leadership 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 Marsha Rusnack as a Salute to Women in Leadership Civic Leadership Award Honoree, and we wish our honoree continued success, achievement, and accomplishment. 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