

Resolution Number 118
Ivy Neyland-Pinkston

WHEREAS, we pause today to note the passing of our dear friend Ivy Neyland-Pinkston on September 28, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Ivy was born in Nuremberg, Germany on April 22, 1957, the second child of Leroy and Bessie Neyland; and

WHEREAS, Ivy attended schools in Germany, Massachusetts, Michigan, and Kentucky, demonstrating an early love for reading and education. She earned her Bachelor of Commerce degree in three and one-half years from the University of Louisville and then moved to Detroit where she began her career at the Ford Motor Company; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, she was recruited by Southwestern Bell under the Graduate Management Development program and moved to St. Louis where Ivy earned her Master's Degree in International Business from St. Louis University in May of 1981; and

WHEREAS, in November of 1989, Ivy was hired and began a twenty-six year career with the City of St. Louis. Ivy Neyland-Pinkston loved her position as Deputy Comptroller and worked tirelessly on behalf of the city to stimulate economic growth and development; and

WHEREAS, Ivy married James Pinkston in 1984 and gave birth to their son Drake James Neyland Pinkston in May of 1994. She was a devoted mother to her son and stepdaughter, Leslie-sharing with them her love for education and travel; and

WHEREAS, Ivy loved to travel, explore, discover, and enjoy new things; she visited Japan, China, Spain, France, Belgium, Morocco, the US Virgin Islands, Mexico, and Aruba with her favorite destinations being Paris and Maui; and

WHEREAS, Ivy Neyland-Pinkston was a member of Jack and Jill of America, the Junior League of St. Louis, the National Association of Black MBAs, and a former member of the Jefferson National Parks Association. She was so proud to be a University of Southern California (USC) mom, and was looking forward to her son Drake's graduation from the Marshall School of Business in May 2016.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause to recognize and celebrate the life of Ivy Neyland-Pinkston and acknowledge her accomplishments and contributions to the City of St. Louis. 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 memorial copy to the end that it may be presented to the family of Ivy Neyland-Pinkston at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 2nd day of October, 2015 by:

Honorable Steven Conway, 8th Ward Alderman

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

Honorable Christine Ingrassia, 6th Ward Alderwoman

Honorable John Coatar, 7th Ward Alderman

Honorable Marlene Davis, 19th Ward Alderwoman

Honorable Joseph Vaccaro, 23rd Ward Alderman

Honorable Lyda Krewson, 28th Ward Alderwoman

Adopted this 2nd day of October, 2015 as attested by

Donna Evans-Booker
Assistant Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen