

## House Resolution No. 2479

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens or distinguished themselves through significant personal achievement; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize Dr. Amanda Murphy, who will be honored during the annual Salute to Women in Leadership luncheon to take place on May 9, 2008, a collaborative event between the City of St. Louis, the Office of the License Collector, and the Vashon/Jeff VanderLou Initiative; and

**Whereas**, the Salute to Women in Leadership awards are given to women who excel in their work in a professional, civic, or social capacity in the St. Louis area; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Murphy, who will receive the Health Leadership Award, has served as the President and CEO of Hopewell Center, a successful not-for-profit comprehensive mental health care center for the last twenty-seven years; and

**Whereas**, with thirty-seven years of experience in the field of mental health care, Dr. Murphy received a bachelor of science in nursing from Washington University and her master's and doctorate in guidance and counseling/psychology from Saint Louis University; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Murphy was recognized at a White House reception in 1980 for her work in providing housing for the mentally ill, received a YWCA Leadership Award, the Lifetime Achievement Award from the St. Louis American Foundation and the Mound City Medical Forum, an award for outstanding service to the community provided by Hopewell Center from the National Top Ladies of Distinction, and the Silver Key Award from the Mental Health Association; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Murphy serves on the board of Behavioral Health Response, the Regional Art Commission Allocation Panel, is a member of the Regional Health Commission, Co-Chair of the Eastern Regional Behavioral Health Initiative-Reducing Stigma and Increasing Cultural Competence, past Chair of the Missouri Coalition of Community Mental Health Centers, and currently serves as Secretary/Treasurer and Chair of the Cultural Competence Committee:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our congratulations and admiration for the personal and professional accomplishments of Dr. Murphy; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dr. Amanda Murphy, as a measure of our esteem.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Rodney R. Hubbard  
District No. 58

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2479, adopted April 30, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker