

House Resolution No. 2478

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 Kathy Osborn, 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, Kathy Osborn, who will receive the Public/Private Partnership Award, is Executive Director for the Regional Business Council in St. Louis, a consortium of one hundred CEOs representing the diverse industries and interests from the sixteen-county St. Louis region's largest companies; and

Whereas, Kathy Osborn was instrumental in the creation and development of the Des Lee Collaborative Vision, which links over one hundred education, civic, government, and business organizations; and

Whereas, Kathy Osborn earned both her undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Missouri-St. Louis and a postgraduate certification from the Institute for Education Management at Harvard University; and

Whereas, named one of the St. Louis Business Journal's Most Influential Business Women, Kathy Osborn is the recipient of the University of Missouri-St. Louis Distinguished Alumni Award, the University of Missouri Presidential Citation for Alumni Service, YWCA's Women of Achievement Award, University of Missouri-St. Louis Woman Trailblazer Award, and the University of Missouri-St. Louis School of Education Distinguished Alumna Award; and

Whereas, known and respected for her service to her community, Kathy Osborn serves on the St. Louis Airport Commission, St. Louis County Economic Development Council, Saint Louis University Board of Trustees, University of Missouri-St. Louis Chancellor's Council, a founding member of the St. Louis Business Diversity Initiative, Urban League of Greater St. Louis Board, United Way of Greater St. Louis Board of Directors, and Forest Park Forever, as well as the Missouri State Government Review Commission:

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 Kathy Osborn; 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 Kathy Osborn, 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. 2478, adopted April 30, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker