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DEPARTMENT: Législature

TITLE: Congratulating Reginald L. Thomas on his retirement from Liuna Local 264

SUMMARY: Congratulating Reginald L. Thomas on his retirement

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NO ☒

Amount	Fund	Department	Line-Item Detail

YES ☐

ACTION NEEDED: COURTESY (NO LEGAL IMPACT)

ATTACHMENTS:

WHEREAS Reginald Thomas began his Union career when he joined Labors International Union of North America Local Union No.265 in May 1996, as an employee of J.E. Dunn Construction Company,

WHEREAS in 1998 he was appointed as Laborer Foreman/Crew Supervisor,

WHEREAS in 1999 he was appointed to Secretary/Treasurer of Construction and General Laborers' Local Union No. 264, serving in this capacity, along with the positions of Assistant Business Manager and Field Representative until February 2010

WHEREAS Reginald was then appointed to the position of President and Business Manager and had held this position for the local for over 15 years. In addition to his role as President and Business Manager, he was appointed as Special International Representative for LiUNA WHEREAS Reginald served as President of the Western Missouri and Kansas Laborers District Council, Secretary of the Greater Kansas City Laborers Health and Welfare Fund, The Construction Industry Substance Abuse Program (CISAP), and the Greater Kansas City Laborers Vacation Fund WHEREAS He also served as Chairman of the Greater Kansas City Laborers Pension Fund and the Greater Kansas City Training Fund WHEREAS He served on the Executive Board of LIUNA African American Caucus and as President of the Western Missouri and Kansas Laborers District Council, and Trustee of the Joint Apprenticeship Program. He served as Secretary/Treasurer for the Greater Kansas City AFL-CIO, Vice President of the Missouri AFL-CIO, Sergeant at Arms to the Greater Kansas City Building and Construction Trades Council, and was Chairman of Working Families Friends, a Community/Labor Assistance Program WHEREAS He was a board member of the Federal Reserve Bank of the Kansas City-Community Development Advisory Council, a Board member for Building Hope For Autism Foundation (BHFAF), and on the Board of Directors for Builders Construction Building Corporation (BCBC). Reginald was also appointed by former Mayor Sylvester (Sly) James to serve on the Airport Aviation Board and T.I.F.F. commission WHEREAS In 2016, Reginald was awarded the Lillian L. McKittrick Labor Advocacy Award from the NAACP, in recognition of his dedicated and unrelenting service to the Labor Movement WHEREAS On July 26th, 2019, Reginald received the Labor's Representative of the Year Award from LEPCI (Labor's Educational & Political Club Independent), for His Exemplary Leadership and Loyal Dedication to Organized Labor and to His Membership, WHEREAS Reginald Thomas retired as President and Business Manager on February 28, 2025, WHEREAS On April 9th, 2025, Reginald L. Thomas was the subject of an impressive article written in LiUNA! Local 264's newsletter detailing the accomplishments above from which we obtained this plethora of achievements and in which they wrote, "His many years of experience and knowledge will remain with his fellow colleagues, as his vision was a guide to the future of the construction industry". WHEREAS Countless lives were touched by Reggie's dedication not only to his Union, but his devotion to all those he interacted with in his long service to our community. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Jackson County Legislature acknowledges his dedication to Labor, a career of great success and congratulates him on his retirement.