

**IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

**A RESOLUTION** honoring the Honorable Emanuel Cleaver II, United States Representative from the Fifth Congressional District in Jackson County.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18460**, April 1, 2014

**INTRODUCED BY** James D. Tindall, Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds, and Bob Spence, County Legislators

WHEREAS, the Honorable Emanuel Cleaver II, United States Representative from the Fifth Congressional District will be the featured luncheon speaker at the Seventh Annual Urban Summit on April 5, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, Congressman Cleaver is the recipient of five honorary Doctoral Degrees and he holds a bachelor's degree from Prairie View A&M and a Master's Degree from St. Paul's School of Theology of Kansas City, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, now serving his fifth term, Congressman Cleaver served as the 20<sup>th</sup> Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus for the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress; and,

WHEREAS, prior to his election to Congress, Congressman Cleaver served for twelve years on the Kansas City, Missouri City Council, and was the City's first African American Mayor, elected in 1991; and,

WHEREAS, Congressman Cleaver has served for 36 years as the Pastor of St. James United Methodist Church; and,

WHEREAS, Congressman Cleaver has distinguished himself in the Kansas City area as an economic development activist, bringing the 18<sup>th</sup> and Vine Redevelopment, a new American Royal, and the reconstruction and beautification of Brush Creek; and,

WHEREAS, Congressman Cleaver has a multitude of accomplishments, most markedly the creation of a Green Impact Zone, aimed at making the urban core of Kansas City the environmentally greenest piece of urban geography in the world; and,

WHEREAS, Congressman Cleaver, a native of Texas, is married to the former Dianne Donaldson, and together they have four children; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby honors and expresses its gratitude to the Honorable Emanuel Cleaver II for his dedicated service to the community.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Chief Deputy County Counselor

  
County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 18460 of April 1, 2014, was duly passed on April 1, 2014 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

4-1-14  
Date

  
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature