

**BY:** Senator BROUK

**COMMEMORATING** the 60th Anniversary of the Urban League of Rochester

**WHEREAS,** A great state is only as great as those individuals and organizations who perform exemplary service on behalf of their community, whether through unique achievement in professional or other endeavors, or simply through a lifetime of good citizenship; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the privilege of this Legislative Body to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the Urban League of Rochester; and

**WHEREAS,** The Urban League of Rochester has been a beacon of equity and opportunity in the Rochester community for decades, helping marginalized peoples to attain economic freedom, better health, and quality housing; and

**WHEREAS,** This impactful organization was founded in the aftermath of racial unrest and riots in the community, and has paved the way for people of color to combat similar injustices now and in the near future; and

**WHEREAS,** The Urban League of Rochester has provided transformative growth in an area plagued by racial inequities, economic disparities, systemic disadvantages, allowing African Americans, Latinos, the impoverished, and other marginalized communities to succeed in a place that for so long tried to keep them down; and

**WHEREAS,** Creating lasting and noteworthy change is a cause worth fighting for; the Urban League of Rochester has stood strong in its commitment to ensure that all people of color in the Rochester area have a place dedicated to furthering their equality and opportunities for success since 1965; and

**WHEREAS,** Generations of Rochesterians have been a part of the Urban League family, and many more in the future will utilize their services to learn about the past and build upon the future; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the belief of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly proclaim and commend them for the edification and emulation of others; and

**WHEREAS,** Such service, which is truly the heart of the community and the State, so often goes unrecognized and unheralded; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the Urban League of Rochester; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Urban League of Rochester.