

RESOLUTION NO. 140462

Recognizing John W. Bluford III on his retirement from Truman Medical Centers as President and CEO after fifteen years of progressive leadership.

WHEREAS, under John Bluford's leadership, Truman Medical Centers has become nationally recognized for its patient-centered care while maintaining financial soundness despite its quality-net mission of caring for a disproportionate share of the uninsured in our city; and

WHEREAS, John Bluford's distinguished career in hospital and health system administration has resulted in being recognized as a nationally-known healthcare innovator, acknowledged by Modern Healthcare and Becker's Hospital Review as one of the Most Influential People in Healthcare; and

WHEREAS, through his efforts, TMC has been recognized by the University Health System Consortium as one of the Top Five Academic Medical Centers in the country; and

WHEREAS, TMC also achieved HIMSS Analytics Stage 7 in 2012, representing the top 2 percent of hospitals for information technology implementation; and

WHEREAS, TMC, through his leadership, launched a mobile market that brings healthy foods to those living in underserved communities; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby recognize John W. Bluford III on his retirement from Truman Medical Centers as President and CEO after fifteen years of progressive leadership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof and that a copy hereof be presented to John W. Bluford III in token of the respect and appreciation from the Mayor, Council and citizens of Kansas City for his outstanding leadership and their best wishes for the long and happy retirement which he so richly deserves.
