



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

No appropriation is required.

Title

Awarding the Eighth Annual Jeffrey Clay Erlanger Civility in Public Discourse Award to Nan Brien and Leslie Ann Howard.

Body

WHEREAS, the Madison Common Council created the Jeffrey Clay Erlanger Civility in Public Discourse Award in memory of Jeffrey Erlanger's contributions to the City of Madison; and

WHEREAS, a committee appointed by the Mayor has selected Nan Brien and Leslie Ann Howard, two individuals who share Jeffrey Erlanger's dedication to and passion for civility and individual and human rights, as the recipients of the 2014 award; and

WHEREAS, Nan Brien directed the Wisconsin Council on Children and Families, Inc. and led the early childhood initiative which included an extensive contract with the State of Wisconsin to develop materials and provide statewide trainings on the latest research related to early childhood brain development; and

WHEREAS, Nan continues to educate the community on the importance of early childhood brain development through her current position with the Milwaukee, Southern, and Western Child Welfare Training Partnerships where she provides training on the effects of child maltreatment; and

WHEREAS, among Nan's lengthy civic commitments are her tireless efforts on behalf of children, and her passion for improving our community; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Ann Howard has the distinction of being the first woman in the 85-year history of the United Way of Dane County to hold the position of president and CEO; and

WHEREAS, Leslie is known for the genuine respect she shows to others, as well as her ability to communicate with all community members regardless of their age, race or economic status; she recognizes that everyone should be treated as an individual of value; and

WHEREAS, ending homelessness among youth has been one of Leslie's top priorities with United Way and as part of their agenda for change the Housing First model was instituted; in 2013 United Way and their partnering agencies were able to stabilize housing for 2,200 Dane County families through their Housing First Families initiative; and

WHEREAS, Nan and Leslie are known for their integrity, courtesy towards others and passion for bettering the lives of youth of all backgrounds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Nan Brien and Leslie Howard have been chosen to receive the Eighth Annual Jeffrey Clay Erlanger Civility in Public Discourse Award; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mayor Paul R. Soglin and the Madison Common Council support the recommendation of the committee and present this award to Nan Brien and Leslie Howard and congratulates them on being the recipients of the 2014 award.

