

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-352**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama are apprised that The Honorable Anthony Daniels will be honored as the recipient of the Government Relations Leadership Award during the Huntsville Progressive Alumni Chapter's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Leadership Awards Banquet, to be held at the Ernest L. Knight Center on Saturday, June 4, 2016; and,

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Anthony Daniels is a member of the Alabama State House of Representatives, representing District 53. He has served in Alabama's State House of Representatives since 2014 and was given the distinction of "Alabama State Legislator of the Year"; and,

**WHEREAS**, he graduated from Alabama A&M University, Cum Laude, with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. In 2006, he was elected as Chairman of the National Education Association Student Program, where he represented more than 62,000 college students on over 1,100 campuses nationwide. He received a Master's Degree in Special Education at Alabama A&M University in 2012, and completed a certification in education fundraising from Dartmouth College; and,

**WHEREAS**, Representative Daniels also received a certificate from the University of Virginia Darden School of Business Executive Education Program. In May 2009, he released his first book, "To Sweeten Alabama: A Story of a Young Man Defying the Odds." He was appointed to Huntsville Mayor Tommy Battle's Economic Sustainability Council (Green 13), where he served as the Chairman of Transportation. He has also served on the State Board of Directors of the Alabama Education Association; and,

**WHEREAS**, as a member of the Alabama State House of Representatives, he is recognized as a leading voice on the issues of college access and affordability. As chairman, he testified at the Department of Education Negotiating Rulemaking Committee hearings on college access and affordability, spoke to live audiences, and was interviewed on nationally syndicated radio programs and television broadcasts. He was also featured in various magazines discussing the topic of college affordability and mobilizing youth to become politically active. As a public servant and as a former elementary school teacher, he is an advocate of quality public education for all; and,

**WHEREAS**, Representative Daniels is married to his soul-mate, Dr. Teneshia Daniels, and he is the proud father of a beautiful baby daughter, Abigail Leigh Daniels.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, do hereby acknowledge, congratulate and extend best wishes to The Honorable Anthony Daniels on receiving the Government Relations Leadership Award during the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Leadership Awards Banquet. May you have continued success in all future endeavors.

**ADOPTED** this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

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President of the City Council of the  
City of Huntsville, Alabama

**APPROVED** this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

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Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama