

*BY ALDS. MURPHY, PUENTE, BOHL, DONOVAN, COGGS, KOVAC WITKOWSKI, PEREZ*

*Resolution congratulating Dinah Gail Gant on her retirement from the Department of Public Works.*

**WHEREAS,**

***DINAH GAIL GANT***

*retired with pride and satisfaction as chief design engineer and manager with the Department of Public Works on June 20, 2013 after more than 21 years of dedicated service to the City of Milwaukee; and*

**WHEREAS,** *A native of Woodruff County, Ark., Dinah Gail Gant was among the 10 children born to sharecroppers Floyd and Theresa Gant, graduated in the first integrated class of black and white students at Augusta High School and earned a degree from the University of Arkansas as the first black female to graduate from their civil engineering department; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Beginning her tenure with the City of Milwaukee in September of 1991, Dinah Gail Gant brought with her a wealth of experience working with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Hot Springs, Ark. as an outside plant engineer and as a resident engineer with a consulting firm associated with the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District and the deep tunnel project; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Managing a staff of 21 engineers and technicians who serve as in-house engineering consultants for the Water Works division of Milwaukee's Department of Public Works, Dinah Gail Gant also finds time to better her community, serving as a board member of The Next Door Foundation, volunteering with PEARLS for Teen Girls, Inc., helping found the Delta Memorial Endowment Fund, Inc. and participating as a life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., an international public service organization; now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED,** *That the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee herewith congratulates Dinah Gail Gant on her retirement from the Department of Public Works, extends its appreciation on behalf of the community and wishes for her a happy and healthy retirement; and, be it*

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** *That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Dinah Gail Gant, an outstanding public servant.*

***Introduced by Common Council members Michael J. Murphy, Robert W. Puente, Jim Bohl, Robert G. Donovan, Milele A. Coggs, Nik Kovac, Terry L. Witkowski and José G. Pérez and approved by all members of the Milwaukee Common Council on May 21, 2013.***