



# City of Columbus

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To Recognize and Celebrate Ukeme Awakessien Jeter as a Distinguished Honoree of the 2024 Columbus Urban League Herstory Makers Event

**WHEREAS**, Thursday, May 16, 2024 is the Columbus Urban League's annual Herstory Makers signature event, which will honor eight trailblazing women in Central Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, Ukeme is a partner in Taft's Intellectual Property practice group, where she focuses on negotiating and structuring intellectual property licenses, options, and related agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, As an active member of her community, Ukeme is proud to call Upper Arlington her community of choice and in 2021 she was elected to Upper Arlington City Council, making history as the first person of color elected to Council in the City's 103-year old history; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2024 she made history again becoming the first person of color elected Council President and Mayor of Upper Arlington, recognized as a trailblazer, Ukeme was named by Columbus CEO Magazine as one of its Future 50 Leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, Ukeme is a tireless advocate for causes of access, equity, and inclusion as she serves on the board of directors for Ohio Legal Help, a start-up non-profit that leverages technology and innovation to improve justice and fairness for all Ohioans; and

**WHEREAS**, Ukeme earned her B.S in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Maine where she was a collegiate athlete in Track & Field, an MBA from the University of Massachusetts, Lowell and her JD from Case Western Reserve University School of Law; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council recognizes and celebrates Ukeme Awakessien Jeter as a Distinguished Honoree at the 2024 Columbus Urban League Herstory Makers Event.