

ORDINANCE NUMBER 70232

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 281 INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN MARLENE DAVIS**

2 An ordinance authorizing and directing the Street Commissioner to take all
3 necessary actions to designate honorarily the 700 block of North Spring Avenue as “Leon
4 Henderson Avenue.”

5 **Whereas**, Leon Henderson worked tirelessly over three decades to serve the
6 students and families of Cardinal Ritter College Preparatory High School and was named
7 president emeritus of that school; and

8 **Whereas**, his mere presence was a blessing to all he came into contact with
9 because he represented hope and possibility, and he helped bring about the school’s
10 building of its \$32 million campus on North Spring Avenue in 2003; and

11 **Whereas**, he earned sociology degrees from Xavier University (Cincinnati) and
12 St. Louis’ Washington University and was a faith-filled man with a sharp wit for comedy;
13 and

14 **Whereas**, Mr. Henderson’s work and service in the community is well known,
15 respected, and appreciated, and he has made a mark in students’ lives that cannot be
16 erased.

17 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

18 **SECTION ONE.** Pursuant to Ordinance 68937 and provided that the
19 requirements of Ordinance 68937 are met, the 700 block of North Spring Avenue shall
20 hereafter be honorarily designated as “Leon Henderson Avenue.” If the requirements of
21 Ordinance 69837 are met, the Director of Streets shall erect an honorary street name sign
22 which shall read “Leon Henderson Avenue.”