

RESOLUTION NUMBER 80
HONORING GRADUATES OF THE 4TH ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP
FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis has been apprised of the graduates of the 4th annual cohort of the Neighborhood Leadership Fellows Program; and

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Leadership Fellows Program is an advanced leadership-training program of Creating Whole Communities (a collaboration of the University of Missouri St. Louis and MU Extension) and the St. Louis Promise Zone-St. Louis Economic Development Partnership; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Neighborhood Leadership Fellows (NLF) is to increase and amplify the voices of North St. Louis City and County residents at the civic decision-making tables in order to produce more equitable regional policies for neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, with nearly 100 applications, twenty-five leaders from North St. Louis City and North St. Louis County were accepted into this nine-month fellowship; and

WHEREAS, fellows were selected from neighborhoods within the St. Louis Promise Zone due to the well-documented need for more targeted investment; and

WHEREAS, participants also receive an UMSL Chancellor's Certificate in Civic Leadership upon graduation; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the training, the Fellows have begun serving on regional and local boards and commissions, running for elected office and working in teams to develop solutions to the issues facing the North St. Louis region; and

WHEREAS, NLF graduation is Saturday, September 11, 2021 and will be held virtually and includes the following graduates from the various parts of our area:

April Walker – St. Louis City, West End Neighborhood
Farrakhan Shegog - St. Louis County, City of Wellston
Jane Kayser – St. Louis County, City of Greendale
Keith Crawford - City of St. Louis, North Pointe Neighborhood
Leia Burroughs - City St. Louis, Academy Sherman Park Neighborhood
Lisa Potts - City of St. Louis, West End Neighborhood
Ly Syin Lobster – City of St. Louis, Penrose Neighborhood
Marcel Hagens - City of St. Louis, West End Neighborhood
Marsha Nelson - City of St. Louis, Baden Neighborhood
McFarlane Duncan - City of St. Louis, Vandeventer Neighborhood
Michelle Spraggins - St. Louis County, Castle Point Community
Orlando Sharpe – St. Louis County, City of Ferguson
Patricia Dees - City of St. Louis, St. Louis Place Neighborhood
Samantha March – City of St. Louis, Wells – Goodfellow Neighborhood
Shavette Wayne-Jones - City of St. Louis, Kingsway East Neighborhood
Shameem Clark-Hubbard - City of St. Louis, West End Neighborhood
Terry Epps - St. Louis County, City of Pine Lawn
Veronica Morrow-Reel – St. Louis County, City of Dellwood
William Humphrey – St. Louis County, City of Bel-Nor

Charlin Hughes – St. Louis County, City of Normandy

Latonya Jackson - City of St. Louis, Vandeventer Neighborhood

Tashara Earl - City of St. Louis, Baden Neighborhood

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to congratulate the graduates of the 4th Annual Neighborhood Leadership Fellows Program and by adoption of this Resolution wish them all the best in their future endeavors. We further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented at a time and place and to those deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 30th day of August, 2021 by:

The Honorable Shameem Clark-Hubbard, Alderwoman 26th Ward

The Honorable Dan Guenther, Alderman 9th Ward

Adopted this 30th day of August, 2021 as attested by:

Terry Kennedy
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis Reed
President, Board of Aldermen