

Resolution Number 16
Ola B. Whittier

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that on May 11, 2015, Ola B. Whittier celebrated her glorious 100th Birthday; and

WHEREAS, Ola B. Whittier born May 11, 1915 in Helena, Arkansas lived in Edmondson, Arkansas with her husband Alexander until moving to St. Louis around 1959. As the mother of 14 children, she diligently worked to provide a loving home for her children and bring them up in the fear and admonition of the Lord; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Whittier can be thought of as a Proverbs 31 woman who rose early in the morning to provide food for her household as well as her neighbors. She also worked outside the home in her restaurant and she worked several years at St. Mary's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, she canned fruits and vegetables, made soap and sewed for her family. She is an industrious woman who opens her mouth with wisdom and shares this wisdom with all who will listen; and

WHEREAS, she has lived at the 5476 Thrush address for 38 years. The children who lived in the neighborhood would come to her house to learn about God and have fun in her yard. Those neighborhood children are now grown and remember to come back to visit her; and

WHEREAS, she is a respected Mother at Williams Temple Church and a respected citizen in her community; and

WHEREAS, "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all. Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her words praise her in the community". Proverbs 31:29&31.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to congratulate Ola B. Whittier on the occasion of her 100th Birthday and we wish her continued peace, good health and happiness and 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 to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 15th day of May, 2015 by:

Honorable Chris Carter, Alderman 27th Ward

Adopted this the 15th day of May, 2015 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen