

Resolution Number 42
JIM LUTZ

WHEREAS, JIM LUTZ has diligently worked in community development in the St. Louis region for more than 30 years, helping to develop over 450 affordable homes in the City of St. Louis, St. Louis County and East St. Louis totaling over \$60 million in community investments; and

WHEREAS, JIM LUTZ is planning to retire shortly as Housing Development Project Manager for Rise (formerly Regional Housing Alliance 1994-97; RHEDA 1997-2013); and

WHEREAS, prior to his association with Rise JIM LUTZ had an extensive work history beginning with delivering beer from his father's Dogtown tavern; serving as a Missouri Parole Officer (1972-76); SIU-Edwardsville Research Staff at Center for Urban & Environmental Research & Services (1978-80); Executive Director of St. Margaret of Scotland Housing Corp. (1980-86); LRA (assisting in developing property)(1986-88); Assistant Director of Operation Impact (1988); and UMSL Housing Development Specialist (1990-94); and

WHEREAS, JIM LUTZ's informal education in housing development included as a teen jumping from rooftop to rooftop to explore the interiors of homes being razed for the construction of Interstate Highway 64/40, but he was later formally educated, receiving a BA in Psychology from UMSL (1972) and MA in Urban Affairs and Policy Analysis from SIU-Edwardsville (1978); and

WHEREAS, JIM LUTZ is the husband of Diann, father of Tammy, father-in-law of Tom, and grandfather of Nate and Sabrina; he enjoys visiting local wineries, gardening, hiking and spending time with family and friends, including a certain float trip where he encountered a pinching crayfish and Diann's assisting swat from a paddle to his backside to dislodge said crayfish; and

WHEREAS, JIM LUTZ has been a life-long resident of St. Louis, lived in a two-family flat at 3017 Osage in Dutchtown (1980-2000), and seized many opportunities to volunteer, including serving on the Dutchtown South Community Corporation Board of Directors and Salvation Army Housing Committee

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE PAUSE IN OUR DELIBERATIONS TO RECOGNIZE THE TREMENDOUS ACHIEVEMENTS OF JIM LUTZ. WE THANK HIM PARTICULARLY FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS. WE COMMEND HIS PROFESSIONALISM, HIS WORK ETHIC, HIS DILIGENCE, HIS INITIATIVE AND HIS EXTRAORDINARY PERFORMANCE, AS WELL AS FOR BEING A HECK OF A NICE GUY. We further direct the Clerk of this Board of Aldermen to spread this Resolution across the Minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it might be presented to the honoree, JIM LUTZ, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced on the 22nd day of May 2014 by:

Honorable Craig N. Schmid, Alderman 20th Ward

Adopted this 22nd day of May, 2014 as attested:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen