

Resolution Number 119
Evangelist Cornelia M. Jackson

WHEREAS, Evangelist Cornelia M. Jackson, nicknamed Connie, has been anointed by God all of her life with the much needed and special Ministry of Helps. She loves praising the Lord and serving people; and

WHEREAS, in 1980 God called her into the Pentecostal faith under Elder Bruce S. Riley one of the assistant pastors of the Late Bishop McMurray founder of Bethany Church of LA a member of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World Inc. (PAW, INC.) now known as City of Refuge Church in Gardenia, California pastured by Bishop Noel Jones, where she taught Sunday school, ushered, and drove the church van until her now late husband Charles E. Jackson of nearly 30 years became very ill and had to return to St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, in 1983 God lead her and her only child, Charles E. Jackson III, to the Pentecostal Church of God at that time under the leadership of the late Elder Leo and Evangelist Ernestine Joshua where she has grown in faith and knowledge of God's word and principles by singing in the Radio Choir, teaching Children's Church and being a special user and assisting on the radio broadcast with pastor Earnestine Joshua. Faithfully serving as the Midwestern District Council (MDC) Secretary of the Missionary and Christian Women's Auxiliary for many years and eventually becoming the President; and

WHEREAS, she has faithfully continued to serve under the leadership of Bishop Terence Coleman D.D. and Higher Ground International Ministries (HGIM) as Community Coordinator, Intercessor and teacher. She has recently added a BA in Christian Counseling and a Masters Degree in Theology to her portfolio and is seeking her Doctorate in Theology. Evangelist Jackson has used all of her licenses, certificates and skills to bless others. For more than 30 years she has specifically made the 27th Ward her target area to meet peoples need; and

WHEREAS, she operates out of Sister Fix It Helping Hand Ministry a 501 c (3) Agency that is currently supported by her and donations from the public. For over 15 years, at the appointment of Bishop T. Coleman D.D., she has served and reached out to help the community by coordinating Greater Pentecostal Church of God's Annual Harvest Time Community Day Event. She has a love and a desire to serve people and save souls by helping to meet their immediate needs all in the name of Jesus. Evangelist Jackson feels she has had a great and fun childhood and wants to make sure that other children have the same or better experience. She believes you never know what awesome event will spark an interest and stir up ones will desire to succeed.

WHEREAS, as the Community Resource and Outreach Director at Greater Pentecostal Church of God on behalf of Bishop Coleman, she has compassionately made it known to the community that he desires to be a neutral servant and bless all in the community by providing a safe supportive and spiritual environment. She has searched out and provided food and household items to be given out as food baskets, has provided free health information and training by becoming an Ambassador for The American Heart Association and The American Diabetes Association, and bringing skilled, knowledgeable presenters, helped promote environmental safety by teaching the children and adults how to recycle, repurpose, and reuse things and conserve energy by turning off lights, and using the energy efficient light bulbs.

WHEREAS, she has, found other resources for many community members in need such as children, veterans, seniors, and people with disabilities. Evangelist Jackson has also worked with many community leaders such as the alderman, police, Fire Department, area schools, health centers, churches and other community groups to help educate and promote awareness. For about 15 years Community Day has been close to her heart and has become a great way to express her love and concern for community and give something back into the community by supporting the totally free annual community day event. By happily identifying resources to provide free food and beverages, door prizes, valuable information, countless resources, health screenings, Christian entertainment, and spiritual enrichment on that day.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause to recognize Evangelist Cornelia M. Jackson 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 copy for presentation to the honoree, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 15th day of August, 2014 by:

Honorable Chris Carter, Alderman 27th Ward

Adopted this the 15th day of August, 2014 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen