

RESOLUTION NUMBER 122
Minister Donald Muhammad

WHEREAS, Minister Donald Muhammad became a registered member of the Nation of Islam in 1973 at the age of 29. He was inspired to join the Nation of Islam by faithfully reading the literature of Muhammad Speaks, the only publication that was dedicated to the total development of black people. He became especially connected with the reporting and perspective of the awakening of Africa movement and the concept of Do For Self within the publication; and

WHEREAS, in the spring of 1978, Minister Donald joined the movement of the rebuilding of the Nation of Islam under the leadership of The Most Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan. In 1982, he became captain of Muhammad Mosque# 28B in East St. Louis, IL for two years. Minister Donald Muhammad desired to bring Islam and the teachings to the city of St. Louis. In 1985, The Most Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan appointed him as minister of the study group at the Victory Center in St. Louis, MO. Under his ministerial leadership, the study group rapidly grew into a mosque within one year; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, Minister Donald eventually returned to Muhammad Mosque #28B in East St. Louis, IL where he was appointed minister. Leaving Muhammad Mosque #28B well established in 1994, Minister Donald left Muhammad Mosque #28B and became an important instrument in establishing Muhammad Mosque #28 in St. Louis, MO. where he currently serves as minister; and

WHEREAS, Donald has been the minister of Muhammad Mosque #28 since 1984. He has been a pillar of the community for many years, giving back in numerous ways, such as prison ministry, mentoring programs for young people in the community, as well as being a part of the Victim's Support Group in the 27th ward. Donald recently received his Insurance license through Primerica in 2013. He has also been involved in several other business ventures over the years with multi-level network marketing and gifting programs. Donald won a trip to Costa Rica for him and his wife due to high sales of 4Life health products. He is also certified in Community Emergency Response, National Incident Management System, State Level Emergency Management and Community Disaster. Donald is a member of the Unity PAC (Unified Political Action Committee) and is heavily involved in helping candidates get elected in St. Louis County. Donald has several friends in the Christian ministry and visits numerous churches for speaking engagements throughout the year. Even with all of his hard work, he is still able to spend quality time with his family. Donald goes on family vacation most summers to Branson, MO and has also been to Orlando, FL. His personality is very loving and he will always help anyone in need. However, he often times does not bite his tongue, and is known for telling it like it is. Donald is also a joke teller and is quite hilarious to all who know him. He is an excellent husband, father, neighbor, brother, friend, colleague, teacher, mentor, and minister.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Minister Donald Muhammad and we wish him continued success, achievement and accomplishment 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 5th day of September, 2014 by:

Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4th Ward

Adopted this 5th day of September, 2014 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen