

**Resolution Number 194**

**Robert J. Herleth**

**Whereas**, we have been apprised that after over many years of dedicated service to the Missouri Botanical Garden, Mr. Bob Herleth is retiring; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Herleth joined the Missouri Botanical Garden on July 1, 2004, and serves as the Garden's Executive Vice President. His duties as the Garden's Executive Vice President include serving as the Garden's chief operating officer and working closely with the President of the Garden and other members of the management team to support the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, and other board committees; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Herleth works closely with the President of the Garden to manage the Garden's relationships with governmental officials at the local, state, and federal levels; and

**Whereas**, in addition, Mr. Herleth serves as the Garden's designated board member for the Garden District Commission (GDC). The GDC is a separate non-profit organization focusing on the revitalization of neighborhoods adjacent to the Garden. The Garden provides financial and staff support to the GDC; and

**Whereas**, prior to joining the Garden, Mr. Herleth served for 24 years at the St. Louis-based financial services firm A.G. Edwards and Sons, Inc., where he worked in investment banking and served as Vice President and Manager of Campus Development; and

**Whereas**, he has lived in the Shaw neighborhood area near the Garden since 1976 and is a past president of the Shaw Neighborhood Improvement Association. Mr. Herleth has also been actively involved as a board member or an officer in several other community organizations, such as serving as a Cortex Board Member and current treasurer; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Herleth is a native St. Louisan and a graduate of Saint Louis University.

**Now therefore be it resolved** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to commend and thank Mr. Bob Herleth for his dedication to the Missouri Botanical Garden and wish him an enjoyable retirement. Furthermore we 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 9th day of January, 2015 by:

**Honorable Stephen J. Conway, Alderman 8th Ward**

Honorable Joseph Roddy, Alderman 17th Ward

Adopted this the 9th day of January, 2015 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen