

RESOLUTION NUMBER 23
HONORING 5268 MAPLE IN ST. LOUIS MISSOURI AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE MISSOURI PRESERVATION 2022 PRESERVE MISSOURI AWARD

WHEREAS, the members of this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis pause to recognize 5268 Maple in St. Louis Missouri, which is the recipient of the Missouri Preservation 2022 Preserve Missouri Award; and

WHEREAS, the Preserve Missouri Awards recognize outstanding efforts and projects around the state, illustrate the diversity of historic preservation issues, and recognize a variety of projects completed by public, private, and non-profit owners including commercial and residential rehabilitations, landscape preservation, and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, prominently located at the corner of Union Boulevard and Maple Avenue on the western edge of the Mount Cabanne/Raymond Place Historic District, 5268 Maple stood vacant since 2003 when the building was devastated by fire; and

WHEREAS, by the time Erica Henderson partnered with Guy Slay to acquire the property from the St. Louis City's Land Reutilization Authority, fifteen years of exposure to the elements on top of damage from the fire had taken its toll on the home; and

WHEREAS, extensive structural repairs were done to the second floor joists and roof along with new windows replicated from the remaining sashes; a new front porch was built with new granite columns to replace the originals that had been stolen; the non-historic steel structure on the rear of the building was replaced with a historically appropriate two-story wood porch; and wood detailing on the exterior was repaired; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the interior woodwork was salvaged, repaired, and reproduced where needed; walls and ceilings were refinished; and the floors which had been heavily damaged were replaced with new tongue-and-groove wood floors that matched the originals; and

WHEREAS, 5268 Maple was updated with entirely new electrical, mechanical and plumbing systems as well as new kitchens and bathrooms due to the heavy damage, but the original floor plan of the house was retained; and

WHEREAS, both state and federal historic tax credits helped fund the project and 5268 Maple was quickly rented spurring further reinvestments in the area which helps move the community one step closer to breaking down the "Delmar Divide"; and

WHEREAS, 5268 Maple will be honored during the 2022 Missouri Preservation Honor Awards ceremony to be held April 19, 2022.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis pause in our deliberations to acknowledge and congratulate 5268 Maple in St. Louis Missouri as the recipient of the Missouri Preservation 2022 Preserve Missouri Award. 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 at a time and place and to those deemed appropriate by its sponsor.

Introduced this 6th day of May, 2022 by:
The Honorable Shameem Clark-Hubbard, Alderwoman 26th Ward

Adopted this 6th day of May 2022, as attested by:

Terry Kennedy
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen