

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 43
HONORING RUTH TAYLOR SCOTT**

WHEREAS, is has come to the attention of this honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis of the many contribution, achievements and passing of Ruth Taylor Scott; and

WHEREAS, she was born in St. Louis, Missouri on October 1, 1943 to the late James Thurnell Taylor and the late Janie E. Yeai; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her eldest Brother Tyrone Watkins and Alvin C. Walker. She is survived by her brother Calvin T. Walker better known as “Calionae)” and

WHEREAS, she married the late James C. Scott Jr. and to this union 3 children were born, James C. Scott III, Brian D. Scott and Jamae Scott; and

WHEREAS, she attended Curtis Elementary School; Soldan High School but graduated from Sumner High School in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Ruth was baptized on November of 1989 at Mercy Seat Missionary Baptist Church under the able leadership of the late Reverend James Brown Sr.; and

WHEREAS, she served on the Health Unit of the church since 1993 and among the titles and jobs she held were “Health Unit Secretary”, “Photographer for the Church.”; and

WHEREAS, as she and the late Reverend Brown Sr. called her the “Cemetery Nurse”. She ended her Nursing Serves to the Church as Assistant Supervisor on the Nurses Unit. She was Mom, Grandma, Auntie, Cousin, Friend to so many; and

WHEREAS, Ruth had a lengthy career in Government Services. She started at Defense Mapping (Aeronautical Chart) as a Key Punch Operator and continued working in the field. She worked for (USPS) United States Postal Service as a Mail sorter; Post Data Center (PDC); Uniform Allowance; Air Mail Department as an Accountant Specialist; she also was EEOC Counselor until Retirement in 2003; and

WHEREAS, she was best known as “Baby Ruth the Comedian.” Her mother Janie had the opportunity to see her perform at “The Silver Dollar Club” that was the “Best Show Ever”; and

WHEREAS, she was one of the ambassadors of the Family Reunions with the “Beautiful Smile” that only she could give; and

WHEREAS, Ruth T. Scott was a proud constituent of “The MIGHTY 26” Ward in the Academy Sherman Park Neighborhood in the City of St. Louis. She was ever present at community meetings and events and was truly a people’s advocate for good; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruth T. Scott fought a good fight and kept her faith -Psalms 23 and 2Timothy 4:7. She was Mom, Grandma, “Aunti”, Cousin, and Friend to so many; she was “EVERYTHANG”; and

WHEREAS, she leaves to cherish her memory many family members including her brother, grandchildren, great grandchildren, in laws, friends and her Mercy Seat family.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the many contributions of Ms. Ruth Taylor Scott and by adoption of this Resolution wish to join in with those commemorating and celebrating her life. 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 deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

**Introduced this 18th day of September 2020 by:
The Honorable Shameem Clark- Hubbard, Alderwoman 26th Ward**

Adopted this 18th day of September 2020 as attested by:

**Terry Kennedy
Clerk, Board of Aldermen**

**Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen**