

**RESOLUTION NO. 72**  
**The Metropolitan St. Louis Psychiatric Center Auxiliary**  
**on 65 Years of Service to Our Region**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan St. Louis Psychiatric Center Auxiliary is a non-profit organization of volunteers who, for the last 65 years, have provided supplemental care for clients of the Metropolitan St. Louis Psychiatric Center; and

**WHEREAS**, on this day, at the 65th Anniversary “Sapphire Gala,” we formally recognize the role the Auxiliary has played in ensuring the Center is delivering the highest quality of specialized psychiatric evaluation, inpatient care, and education to forensic clients in a safe and secure environment; and

**WHEREAS**, we pause to recognize, too, the contributions of the Auxiliary’s longest lifetime member, Mrs. Jeanne Gore, for her 50 years of care to the patients we serve; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gore embodies the mission set forth many years ago by Charles Scendary, whose passion for providing supplemental care to those coping with mental illness led to the founding of this Auxiliary at Malcolm Bliss Mental Health Center over six decades ago; and

**WHEREAS**, what Mr. Scendary created, in collaboration with two doctors’ wives, Mrs. Gauding and Mrs. Eggers, was the first voluntary organization of its kind, an organization that, in 1996, would go on to serve the entire region under the name of the Metropolitan St. Louis Psychiatric Center Auxiliary and gain membership in to the Missouri Auxiliaries Hospital Association; and

**WHEREAS**, as we celebrate 65 years of volunteer services to the men and women who benefit from the Auxiliary’s unwavering commitment to excellence in care, we also encourage a new generation of public servants to step forth to continue the organization’s mission with the same passion and enthusiasm of Mrs. Gore and others who have given of their time and their hearts to patients in need; and

**WHEREAS**, we have confidence that the Center and the Auxiliary will continue to be a national leader in the care of the mental illnesses that impact families throughout our community each and every day.

***NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED*** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the tremendous contributions of the Metropolitan St. Louis Psychiatric Center Auxiliary on this 65th Anniversary “Sapphire Gala” and encourage volunteers today and in the future to continue caring for patients suffering from mental disorder, while also bringing awareness to the mental health issues our region faces. We further direct the Clerk of this Board to include a copy of this Resolution in the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy for presentation at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 17th day of June, 2016, by:

**The Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President, St. Louis Board of Aldermen**

Adopted this the 17th day of June, 2016, as attested by:

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Timothy O’Connell  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen