

Resolution Number 76
Mr. Paul Charles Monahan

WHEREAS, Paul Charles Monahan was born on October 3rd, 1990 to mother Jean Heithaus Monahan and father William J. Monahan, Jr. He was raised in University City, Missouri with his siblings Catherine, Mary Clare, and Joe. He attended Priory High School before enrolling at St. Louis University where he graduated with degrees in Economics and Sociology in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Paul was a resident of the Soulard neighborhood, and a patron at many local restaurants, businesses, and events unique to our community. He could also be found enjoying parks and trails across the City as an avid runner, playing rugby, or listening to music inside one of the venues housed by the red brick of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, Paul inherited a love of St. Louis from his father, Bill, who taught Sociology at St. Louis University for 39 years and frequently brought his children with him as he traveled throughout the city for work and fun; and

WHEREAS, Paul expressed his love for St. Louis by immersing himself in civic life as both a role model and volunteer. He worked on political campaigns and studied issues of significance to the region as a student and intern. His desire to understand and improve our community led him to enroll at St. Louis University in a master's program in Public Administration; and

WHEREAS, Paul cared deeply for the City of St. Louis. He hoped to use his education to make St. Louis a place where people of all backgrounds are treated fairly and have the opportunity to prosper. The city will feel the pain of his absence, but he has inspired those around him to carry on his legacy by bringing about positive, lasting change in his beloved St. Louis. Paul combined a gentle spirit with a passion to improve our community. He was moved to combat injustice not with anger, but with kindness, compassion, and determination; and

WHEREAS, Paul departed this life on Monday, June 22nd, 2015; and

WHEREAS, he leaves behind friends and family to cherish his memory from throughout his life. His mother, siblings, extended family, friends, roommates, coworkers, teammates, and those he touched in this life stand united in grief at his tragic loss yet hopeful that others will carry on the virtue he demonstrated in his life, the affection with which he regarded his community, and the hope he carried for his City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause to remember the many contributions of Mr. Paul Charles Monahan and we join with his friends in expressing our sorrow at his passing, 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 memorial copy for presentation to the Monahan family, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 10th day of July, 2015 by:

Honorable Scott Ogilvie, Alderman 24th Ward

Adopted this the 10th day of July, 2015 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen