

**RESOLUTION 77**  
**MICHAEL D HEITERT**

**WHEREAS**, Michael D Heitert was born on July 3, 1948 in St. Louis, Missouri to Robert and Rosemary Heitert; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael, a/k/a “Big Mike,” a/k/a “Heitz” is celebrating his 70th birth year with 10 siblings, 18 nieces and nephews, 29 great nieces and nephews, and several extended family, friends; and

**WHEREAS**, Big Mike and his family have lived on Tamm and Bancroft for 6 decades; and

**WHEREAS**, Big Mike graduated St. Gabriel the Archangel grade school in 1962 and Christian Brothers College High School in 1966; and

**WHEREAS**, Big Mike attended Harris-Stowe College where he played basketball. Mike played every minute with hustle and intensity and was respectfully bestowed the nickname “white shadow” by his teammates and peers; and

**WHEREAS**, Big Mike courageously served his country in the Army during the Vietnam War. Big Mike was injured and decorated during his military service and will always have the thanks of a grateful Neighborhood, City and Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, at 70, Big Mike remains active and engaged in his community. Mike can mostly be seen around the neighborhood on his long walks, perched in his garage- watching basketball or football, or meticulously attending to his yard. All travelers passing by are greeted with Big Mike’s “Big-Hospitality.” Whether it is a quick chat to a mother with a stroller or giving kids a high-five as they speed through the alley on their bicycles. Big Mike has a Big-Heart; and

**WHEREAS**, Big Mike’s past 70 years conjure many happy stories and memories from his family and friends. But most notably, Big Mike is remembered for his 69’ Jaguar XKE that was the color of British racing green which he often lent to friends.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we join with the family and friends of Michael D Heitert in wishing him a happy 70th birthday, and we further wish him peace and good health as 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 at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 29th day of June, 2018 by:

**The Honorable Thomas Oldenburg, Alderman 16th Ward**

Adopted this 29th day of June, 2018 as attested by:

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Louis C. Galli  
Legal Counsel, Board of Aldermen

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President, Board of Aldermen