

RESOLUTION 102

CHRIST PILGRIM REST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH 100th ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Christ Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church is commemorating its 100th Church Anniversary on September 23, 2018, and communities and congregations from all over are will come together to help celebrate this wonderful occasion; and

WHEREAS, in 1918, God gave a group of dynamic trailblazers, under the leadership of the Church's first pastor, Reverend Albert McCain, a vision to help establish a permanent place of worship; being Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, which spirit-filled Church has grown and thrived, continually reaching out to the community and bringing souls to Christ; and

WHEREAS in later years, with every new pastor that came through Christ Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, it appeared that God gave each a vision to do something that would improve and enrich the Church family; and

WHEREAS on July 1, 1962, Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church moved to its present location, 1341 North Kingshighway, St. Louis Missouri, to accommodate its increasing membership and the need for more space for Christian education; and

WHEREAS, Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church was blessed with a beautiful edifice and educational building which it has used to uplift the hearts and souls of people throughout the St. Louis Metropolitan Area, and share the *Word of God*, and 1965, the Church officially changed its name to Christ Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Reverend William Johnson, Sr., was installed as pastor of Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church on April 29, 2007, and under the leadership of the Holy Spirit and Reverend Johnson the Church has remained steadfast in its commitment to spread God's Good News and bring people into His Fold; and

WHEREAS, Christ Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church has undergone many transformations over the past 100 years, with its past and present Pastors whose exceptional leadership has brought it to this milestone, the original God-given vision remains; "*We've Come this Far by Faith.*"

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to join with the Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church community, and those who have travelled to our City, to celebrate the 100th Church Anniversary of Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, and to recognize its many contributions to the City of St. Louis, and we further direct the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of this proceeding and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 14th day of September, 2018 by: The Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18th Ward

Adopted this 14th day of September, 2018, as attested by: