

RESOLUTION 132
Phillip Charles Brown

WHEREAS, we pause in our deliberations to honor Phillip Charles Brown on the occasion of his 80th birthday; and

WHEREAS, Phillip was born on August 28th, 1937, in St. Louis, Missouri at Homer Phillips Hospital to Constance and Phillip Brown; and

WHEREAS, Philip attended James Weedon Johnson Elementary School and graduated from Vashon High School in 1955; he went on college in Chicago, Illinois where he majored in Health and Physical Education as well as Art Instruction; and

WHEREAS, from 1962-2006, Phillip was employed by the City of St. Louis Recreation Division. His legendary service touched the lives of many youth and families in our city; he served as a playground worker for many years and was the Director for many community and recreational centers including: Cherokee, Soulard, Vashon, Capri, DeSoto, Yalem/West End Center, Wohl, Buder, 12th & Park, Tandy, and Gamble Centers, teaching and mentoring hundreds of youth during his 44 years of service to the City; and

WHEREAS, Phillip is an organizer and planner; over the years he was instrumental in organizing the following events: African American History Month Programs, Bringing It Together-a Celebration of our senior citizens, the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Tandy Center, the Annual Buder Caring & Sharing Festival, reestablishing the Annual Reunion at Tandy Center, coordinating with the Dream Center to host community picnics, and the Annual 4th Ward Back To School Picnic—to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Phillip is very creative and donates his talents in many ways; he has made signs for numerous City-Wide events such as the Family Fishing Fair at Fairgrounds Park, Kiener Plaza Talent and Craft Explosion, Boxing Tournaments, West End Community Conference, and the annual Juneteenth Celebration. All of these events plus some are dear to Phillip's heart; and

WHEREAS, Phillip C. Brown has been the recipient of numerous Civic and Community Service Awards including the 1990 Urban League Youth Employment Appreciation Award, the 1991 Wohl Adult Youth Council Award, 1996 St. Charles Lawanga Center-Love and Service Award, 1997 Better Family Life Inc., Community Service Award in recognition for enhancing the lives of youth in the African American community, and the 2004 Mayor's Service Award in recognition of Departmental Mental Image (community focus) for the Recreation Division. Phillip retired from the City's Recreation Division on August 1, 2006.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations and join with the family and friends of Phillip C. Brown to honor her and wish him a happy 80th birthday. We further wish him peace and continued good health and 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 to the family at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 12th day of September, 2017 by:

The Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4th Ward
The Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board of Aldermen

Adopted this 15th day of September, 2017 as attested by:

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Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen