

RESOLUTION 153

Mrs. Dianne Mees

WHEREAS, Dianne and Arthur Mees, both lifelong citizens of the City of St. Louis, were married on June 15, 1968 and will soon celebrate fifty-years of marriage; and

WHEREAS, Dianne and Arthur have spent nearly all of those years living on Walsh Street where they raised eight children and are now blessed with fifteen grandchildren: daughter Ann Garrido, her husband Mike and their son Micah; son Art Mees, his wife Anne and their children A.J., Owen and Will; daughter Janet Reinert, her husband Brett and their children Max, Henry and Lilly; son Tim Mees, his wife Kathleen and their children Aubrey and Danny; daughter Mary Garsaund, her husband Marcel and children Amelia and Marcel; son Stephen Mees, his wife Maribeth their son Oliver and baby boy due to arrive November 10th; Katie Weitraub, her husband Jason and their child Aspen; son Paul Mees, wife Jackie and their sons George and Charlie.

WHEREAS, Dianne, Arthur and their children are much beloved members of the Walsh Street community where Dianne has long been a leader in efforts to make it a better place including by presiding as Chairwoman of the Walsh Street Block Party Committee for many years; and

WHEREAS, Dianne has been a model of love and compassion for the Walsh Street community, truly living her faith by caring for elderly and sick friends and neighbors, looking after their children and preparing meals for them, she has joyfully celebrated the births of their children and shared her strength in their times of trial; and

WHEREAS, Dianne has selflessly given of her time and energy to make a positive impact on the members of her community, and others she may never come to know through her active involvement in her parish, Our Lady of Sorrows, and volunteer work for Contemplative Outreach, Maryknoll, Catholic Relief Services, MCU, Just Faith, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Pro-Life Square Dance, and St. Vince DePaul Society; and

WHEREAS, Dianne easily qualifies as one of the best grandmothers, there and ready to sing and play with her grandchildren, and never forgetting a birthday; and

WHEREAS, Dianne's family, friends and neighbors, the members of the Walsh Street community, are truly grateful for Dianne's contributions to and love for this community and it is their sincere wish that she be recognized and honored for such.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to honor Mrs. Dianne Mees for her many contributions to and the love she has for the Walsh Street community and to recognize the positive impact this has made on the City of St. Louis, We further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these 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 the 7th day of October, 2017 by:

The Honorable Thomas Oldenburg, Alderman 16th Ward

Adopted this the 13th day of October, 2017 as attested by:

Board of Aldermen
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Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen