

**RESOLUTION 162**  
**Mallinckrodt Academy of Gifted Instruction**  
**2017 National Blue Ribbon School**

**WHEREAS**, Mallinckrodt Academy of Gifted Instruction was selected as a 2017 National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education. The award is based on the school's overall academic excellence or progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups; and

**WHEREAS**, Mallinckrodt is one of 342 schools in the country and one of only eight schools in Missouri to earn the National Blue Ribbon School honor for 2017. The school will be officially recognized by the U.S. Department of Education at a ceremony in Washington D.C. in early November; and

**WHEREAS**, Mallinckrodt Academy offers a challenging child-centered, intellectual curriculum. High expectations are set for students who have tested and been recognized as gifted students; and

**WHEREAS**, Mallinckrodt Academy is one of two certified gifted public elementary schools offered by the St. Louis Public Schools, The school consists of 286 enthusiastic learners in grades Pre-K through 5th grade and 22 certified and dedicated teachers and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, Mallinckrodt Academy has many parent volunteers who spend numerous hours supporting the school, teachers and children. Their active PTO has raised tens of thousands of dollars through fundraisers to enhance the learning environment and to ensure that all students learn and grow to their highest potential.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and extend our most hearty congratulations to **Mallinckrodt Academy of Gifted Instruction** for their **2017 National Blue Ribbon School** selection by the U.S. Department of Education 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 commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 3rd day of November, 2017 by:

**The Honorable Joe Vaccaro, Alderman 23rd Ward**

Adopted this 3rd day of November, 2017 as attested by:

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Donna Elliot  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen