

**RESOLUTION 165**  
**Mrs. Cordia L. Moppins**

**WHEREAS**, we have been apprised that on November 15, 2017, Mrs. Cordia L. Moppins will celebrate her glorious 100th birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, Cordia was born in Gould, Arkansas, but would move to St. Louis where she attended Dessalines Elementary School; Cordia graduated from Vashon High School in 1936 and in lieu of attending Lincoln University on a scholarship, she attended Washington Technical School and graduated in 1937 as a licensed beautician; and

**WHEREAS**, Cordia L. Jackson married Harry V. Moppins, Sr. and they remained wedded in holy matrimony for fifty-eight years, until his death; from that union Cordia and Harry were blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include 2 children, 6 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS**, after working for a few years as a beautician, Cordia joined the team at Ralston Purina and retired in 1982 as a Coupon Clerk; before her retirement she received many awards and recognition for her process improvement recommendations that went on to be implemented in her department. Cordia worked for the Election Board as a poll judge for several years after her retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, for 90+ years, Cordia Moppins has distinguished herself as an active member of the Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church and currently as Mother of the Church; she never lost her thirst for knowledge and at 100 years old, Cordia stays well informed through newspapers and electronic media; she enjoys working puzzles, especially the New York Times crossword puzzle, as well as word scrimmage, jumble, and cryptograph games.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we join with the family and friends of Mrs. Cordia L. Moppins in wishing her and happy 100th birthday and we further wish her 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 15th day of November, 2017 by:

**The Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board of Aldermen**

Adopted this 17th day of November, 2017 as attested by:

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Donna Elliot  
Assistant Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen