

RESOLUTION NO. 285

Recognition of the Many Contributions of Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church

Whereas, this honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis is acutely aware of the important contributions that the Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church has made to their community, the 18th Ward and the City of St. Louis, and

Whereas, this Board is aware that neighborhood institutions are a part of the backbone of our City providing needed services, stability, leadership, facilities, continuity and cohesion for a community, and

Whereas, the role community institutions play in a city are too numerous to put into any one writing or document but it can be said that they help to provide structured avenues for community input, activism and action, and

Whereas, Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church and it's dedicated and able leadership team pastored by the Rev. Dr. Donald McNeal provides a space for meetings of the various community organizations, co-sponsored activities and events, organized various community programs for residents of all ages without charge, and

Whereas, Hopewell has become a beacon anchoring the Lewis Place Neighborhood and allowing their facility to be used as a polling place, and

Whereas, over a decade ago Hopewell established the Hopewell Senior Apartments providing housing for area seniors and providing additional spaces for community meetings further fostering feelings of community connections that helps to weave a neighborhood together.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to acknowledge, congratulate and thank Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church, its pastor and its dedicated leadership team for a job well done and for its many accomplishments aimed at improving the quality of life in the City of St. Louis and 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 our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced this 15th day of April, 2019 by:

The Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18th Ward

Adopted this 15th day of April, 2019 as attested by:

Louis C. Galli
Interim Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen