

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 89 INTRODUCED BY: PRESIDENT LEWIS E. REED,**
2 **ALDERWOMAN DONNA BARINGER**
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4 An ordinance adopted pursuant to Section 105.483 (11) RSMo., reaffirming the
5 provisions of Ordinances 62391, 66691, 67617, 68409 and 68934 establishing a policy
6 for the disclosure of potential conflicts of interest and substantial interests for certain
7 municipal officials, and containing an emergency clause.

8 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

9 **SECTION ONE.** Declaration of Policy.

10 The proper operation of municipal government requires that public officials and
11 employees be independent, impartial and responsible to the people; that government
12 decisions and policy be made in the proper channels of the governmental structure; that
13 public office not be used for personal gain; and that the public have confidence in the
14 integrity of its government. In recognition of these goals, there is hereby established a
15 procedure for disclosure by certain officials and employees of private financial or other
16 interests in matters affecting the city.

17 **SECTION TWO.** Conflicts of Interest.

18 a. All elected and appointed officials as well as employees of a political subdivision must
19 comply with section 105.454 of Missouri Revised Statutes on conflicts of interest as well
20 as any other state law governing official conduct.

21 b. Any member of the board of aldermen who has a "substantial or private interest" in
22 any measure, bill, order or ordinance proposed or pending before such governing body
23 must disclose that interest to the clerk of the Board and such disclosure shall be recorded
24 in the Journal of the Board of Aldermen. Substantial or private interest is defined as

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1 ownership by the individual, his spouse, or his dependent children, whether singularly or
2 collectively, directly or indirectly of: (1) 10% or more of any business entity; or (2) an
3 interest having a value of \$10,000 or more; or (3) the receipt of a salary, gratuity, or other
4 compensation or remuneration of \$5,000 or more, per year from any individual,
5 partnership, organization, or association within any calendar year.

6 **SECTION THREE.** Disclosure Reports.

7 Each elected official, candidate for elective office, the mayor, the supply commissioner,
8 and the city counselor shall disclose the following information by May 1 if any such
9 transactions were engaged in during the previous calendar year:

10 a. For such person, and all persons within the first degree of consanguinity or
11 affinity of such person, the date and the identities of the parties to each transaction with a
12 total value in excess of five hundred dollars, if any, that such person had with the political
13 subdivision, other than compensation received as an employee or payment of any tax, fee
14 or penalty due to the political subdivision, and other than transfers for no consideration to
15 the political subdivision.

16 b. The date and the identities of the parties to each transaction known to the
17 person with a total value in excess of five hundred dollars, if any, that any business entity
18 in which such person had a substantial interest, had with the political subdivision, other
19 than payment of any tax, fee or penalty due to the political subdivision or transactions
20 involving payment for providing utility service to the political subdivision, and other than
21 transfers for no consideration to the political subdivision.

1 c. The mayor and the supply commissioner also shall disclose by May 1, or the
2 appropriate deadline as referenced in Section 105.487, RSMo., the following information
3 for the previous calendar year:

4 1. The name and address of each of the employers of such person from
5 whom income of one thousand dollars or more was received during the year
6 covered by the statement;

7 2. The name and address of each sole proprietorship that he owned; the
8 name, address and the general nature of the business conducted of each general
9 partnership and joint venture in which he was a partner or participant; the name
10 and address of each partner or coparticipant for each partnership or joint venture
11 unless such names and addresses are filed by the partnership or joint venture with
12 the secretary of state; the name, address and general nature of the business
13 conducted of any closely held corporation or limited partnership in which the
14 person owned ten percent or more of any class of the outstanding stock or limited
15 partnership units; and the name of any publicly traded corporation or limited
16 partnership that is listed on a regulated stock exchange or automated quotation
17 system in which the person owned two percent or more of any class of
18 outstanding stock, limited partnership units or other equity interests;

19 3. The name and address of each corporation for which such person served
20 in the capacity of a director, officer or receiver.

21 **SECTION FOUR. Filing of Reports.**

22 a. The financial interest statements shall be filed at the following times, but no person is
23 required to file more than one financial interest statement in any calendar year;

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1 1. Every person required to file a financial interest statement shall file the
2 statement annually not later than May 1 and the statement shall cover the calendar year
3 ending the immediately preceding December 31; provided that any such person may
4 supplement their financial interest statement to report additional interests acquired after
5 December 31 of the covered year until the date of filing of the financial interest
6 statement.

7 2. Each person appointed to office shall file the statement within thirty days of
8 such appointment or employment covering the calendar year ending the previous
9 December 31;

10 b. Financial disclosure reports giving the financial information required in Section 3 shall
11 be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen and with the Missouri Ethics
12 Commission. The reports shall be available for public inspection and copying during
13 normal business hours.

14 **SECTION FIVE.** Filing of Ordinance. The city register shall send a certified copy of
15 this ordinance to the Missouri Ethics Commission within ten days of its approval.

16 **SECTION SIX.** Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and
17 after the date of its passage and approval and shall remain in effect until amended or
18 repealed by the Board of Aldermen.

19 **SECTION SEVEN.** Emergency Clause. This being an Ordinance necessary for the
20 immediate preservation of public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an
21 emergency measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the
22 Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore this Ordinance shall become effective
23 immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

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