

**BOARD BILL # 175                    INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN MATTHEW VILLA**

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2            An ordinance pertaining to parking for disabled persons; amending paragraph (A) of  
3 Section 17.76.020 of the Revised Code, as enacted in Section One of Ordinance 65142 in order  
4 to add “Blindness” to the list of disabilities; and containing an emergency clause.

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

6            **SECTION ONE.** Paragraph A of Section 17.76.020 of the Revised Code, as enacted in  
7 Section One of Ordinance 65142, is hereby amended as follows:

8 Section 17.76.020 Residential Disabled Parking Space Permit-Application.

9            A) Any individual, parent of a child with an eligible disability, or a family  
10 member residing full time with an eligible person, owning a vehicle and possessing a current  
11 permanent state disabled placard, disabled license plate or disabled veterans license plate, as  
12 described in Section 17.76.010, may apply for a residential disabled parking space permit. A  
13 residential disabled parking space permit, may only be granted for use by a vehicle which shall  
14 be parked at said disabled parking space at least five (5) days or nights of the week. Application  
15 for a residential disabled parking space permit shall be made to the Office on the Disabled. Said  
16 office shall approve a permit if the application is for the benefit of an individual with at least  
17 one of the following disabilities:

18            1) Non-Ambulatory Disabilities requiring the use of one or more of  
19 the following adaptive devices:

20            a) Wheelchair

21            b) Leg Braces

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- 1 c) Crutches
- 2 d) Canes
- 3 e) Walker
- 4 2) Cerebral Palsy
- 5 3) Multiple Sclerosis
- 6 4) Muscular Dystrophy
- 7 5) Spinal Bifida
- 8 6) Severe Rheumatoid Arthritis
- 9 7) Degenerative Arthritis
- 10 8) Amputation of Legs
- 11 9) Pulmonary Class Three or Greater
- 12 10) Cardiac
- 13 11) Cardiovascular Impairments of Class Three or Greater
- 14 12) Therapeutic Class CDE
- 15 13) Alzheimer's Disease
- 16 14) Osteoarthritis
- 17 15) Stroke
- 18 16) Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
- 19 17) Blindness

20 **SECTION TWO.** Paragraph B of Section 17.76.020 of the Revised Code, as enacted in  
21 Section One of Ordinance 65142, is hereby amended as follows:

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1           B) If the Office on the Disabled approves an application for a residential disabled  
2 parking space permit, a numbered permit shall be issued to the applicant and shall be posted on  
3 the windshield of said vehicle. The permit must be used at all times with the permit holder's  
4 permanent disabled placard or license plate. The Traffic and Transportation Administrator, with  
5 the consent of the property owner, shall establish signs indicating such restricted parking space  
6 on any public right of way for a period of time not to exceed two (2) years subject to bi-annual  
7 renewal. Said signs shall be numbered the same as the permit issued to the applicant and shall  
8 indicate that the disabled parking space is reserved at all times for permit parking only. The  
9 Traffic and Transportation Administrator upon recommendation of the Office on the Disabled  
10 may, where special conditions exist, install signs indicating a residential disabled parking space  
11 notwithstanding the availability of driveway or off-street parking. Permit holders full-time  
12 members of the household with two (2) or more vehicles and with access to off-street parking,  
13 may use that off-street parking for any vehicle except the permit holder's vehicle. An individual  
14 applying for a residential disabled parking space at their personal residence shall not be charged  
15 for installation or maintenance of said signs. A list of all approved residential disabled parking  
16 space permits shall be kept in the Office of the Register and the Office on the Disabled.

17           C) A decision denying an application for a residential disabled parking space  
18 permit may be appealed in writing to the Office on the Disabled. The Office on the Disabled  
19 shall forward all appeals to a special panel of the Advisory Council on the Disabled created by  
20 Ordinance Number 57432 within ten days of receipt of said appeal. If this panel of the Special  
21 Council on the Disabled grants the appeal, the Traffic and Transportation Administrator is

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1 instructed to erect a designated residential disabled parking space immediately. If the Special  
2 Council of Disabled denies the appeal, a residential disabled parking space will not be granted.

3 **SECTION TWO.** Emergency clause.

4 This being an ordinance for the preservation of public peace, health, and safety, it is  
5 hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article  
6 IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore shall become effective immediately upon  
7 its passage and approval by the mayor.