

RESOLUTION NO. 23
Charles Quincy Troupe

WHEREAS, it is our privilege to honor Charles Quincy Troupe on the occasion of his glorious 80th birthday; and

WHEREAS, Charles was born in St. Louis, Missouri, on May 12, 1936, from the union of Phillip and Ruth Troupe; he was one of 12 siblings; and

WHEREAS, Charles Quincy Troupe graduated from the St. Louis Public Schools and soon after received training to become a certified electrician; aside from being self-employed, he worked diligently as an employee of what is now known as Metro Transit and eventually became the 3rd Vice-President of Local 788 Amalgamated Transit Union; and

WHEREAS, Charles not only fought for the rights of his fellow co-workers, he committed himself to the needs of residents of his community and in 1977 was appointed Committeeman of the 1st Ward in St. Louis preceding his successful election in 1978 as State Representative of the 63rd Legislative District of Missouri; due to redistricting, Charles Quincy Troupe would finish his years of service as the State Representative of the 62nd District, until his retirement in 2000; and

WHEREAS, while serving in the State Legislature, Charles Quincy Troupe was elected as the first African American Dean of the Missouri House of Representatives and also served as a member of the Legislative Black Caucus; he also served his country in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, after more than two decades of service in Jefferson City, Charles Quincy Troupe wasn't ready to retire and saw a need in his community for an experienced leader and a voice for those who hadn't been heard; he ran and was elected Alderman of the 1st Ward, where he served his people vigorously for eight years before finally retiring from public service; and

WHEREAS, during his many years of service, the Honorable Charles Quincy Troupe founded the African American Women for Wellness organization, he inspired the We Love North St. Louis Festival, he established and named the Prince Hall Family Resource Center in St. Louis and most recently founded the UJAMAA Community Development Center in North St. Louis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to join with the children, grandchildren, family, and many friends of Charles Quincy Troupe in wishing him a happy 80th birthday, and we further wish him peace and good health. We direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a memorial copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 6th day of May, 2016, by:

The Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18th Ward
The Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board of Aldermen
The Honorable Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2nd Ward
The Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3rd Ward
The Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4th Ward
The Honorable Tammika Hubbard, Alderwoman 5th Ward
The Honorable Stephen Conway, Alderman 8th Ward
The Honorable Kenneth Ortmann, Alderman 9th Ward
The Honorable Joseph Vollmer, Alderman 10th Ward
The Honorable Thomas Villa, Alderman 11th Ward
The Honorable Larry Arnowitz, Alderman 12th Ward
The Honorable Beth Murphy, Alderwoman 13th Ward
The Honorable Carol Howard, Alderwoman 14th Ward
The Honorable Donna Baringer, Alderwoman 16th Ward
The Honorable Joseph Roddy, Alderman 17th Ward
The Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman 19th Ward
The Honorable Antonio D. French, Alderman 21st Ward
The Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward
The Honorable Joe Vaccaro, Alderman 23rd Ward
The Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman 26th Ward
The Honorable Chris Carter, Alderman 27th Ward
The Honorable Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28th Ward

Adopted this 6th day of May, 2016, as attested by

Timothy O'Connell
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen