

**Resolution Number 24**  
**Mother Azelie Pitts**

**WHEREAS**, Azelie Simmons-Pitts was born July 26, 1917 in St. Louis. The third of ten children, Mother Pitts was educated in the St. Louis Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Mother Pitts was married to Harry Vincent Pitts for 34 years had 15 children, (eight girls and seven boys). When Harry's passing presented a great challenge, God saw her through to raising them all through the trials and tribulations of life. She'll let you know, "She learned how to trust and depend on Jesus"; and

**WHEREAS**, Mother Pitts has been has been blessed to have 5 generations, (45 grandchildren, 59 great grandchildren, and 9 great-great grandchildren). Mother Pitts is also known for her delicious homemade chocolate candies, which she shares with many; and

**WHEREAS**, ordained a Deaconess under the leadership of Apostles, Lee and Doris Rice at Victory Christian Outreach Church. She is always willing to share her Godly words of wisdom and encouragement; and

**WHEREAS**, she says, "I feel like the richest woman in the world!" God has given her health and strength and long life. Mother Pitts also says, "Trust and obey in the Lord and he will fulfill all of his promises through his holy word!"

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen for the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the contributions and selflessness of Mother Azelie Pitts and direct the Clerk of this Board to prepare a commemorative copy of this resolution to the end that it may be presented to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012 by:

**Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen**  
Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman 19<sup>th</sup> Ward  
Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4<sup>th</sup> Ward

Adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen