

RESOLUTION NUMBER 26

Mrs. Anita Banks

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that Mrs. Anita Banks will be receiving a Community Service Award at the St. Louis Community Empowerment Foundation's *Salute to Women in Leadership Awards Luncheon* on May 8, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Anita Banks graduated from Saint Mary's Infirmary, earning her Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Saint Francis in Joliet, IL and pursued Post Graduate work in Nursing at St. Louis University. Mrs. Banks was the Director of Nursing at Yeatman Health Center, and was the first African American to serve as Operating Room Supervisor at De Paul Hospital. Mrs. Banks has been especially committed to the service of those afflicted with Sickle Cell Disease; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Banks is Commissioner of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest at St. Alphonsus Liguori "Rock" Catholic Church where she offers her time and talents to a litany of efforts from fundraising and outreach, to education and mentoring, from fashion shows to fish fries; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anita Banks has also served on University of Missouri Friends Board, is an active leader in the St. Mary's Infirmary Nurses Alumnae Association where she has served as President and established the Infirmary Archives. Mrs. Banks is tireless in her Ward Organization, volunteering in political campaigns and actively continuing the good works of the late, beloved Senator Banks, thus, preserving their proud, indelible legacy.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Mrs. Anita Banks and we wish her continued success, achievement and accomplishment and we further 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 honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 29th day of April, 2010 by:

Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderman 19th Ward

Adopted this the 29th day of April, 2010 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen