

Resolution Number 29
Central Elementary School 135th Anniversary

WHEREAS, we are delighted to pause in our deliberations to note and commemorate Central Elementary School in Ferguson, Missouri on occasion of their 135th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, in 1880 a four room brick school house was established to educate and empower boys and girls; 135 years later, Central Elementary is still educating and empowering with a current enrollment of 283 students; and

WHEREAS, Central Elementary School works closely with community partners to positively impact the lives of future generations; and

WHEREAS, the faculty and staff at Central Elementary work diligently to educate students and stimulate their innate curiosity by cultivating their unique gifts and talents to capture their hearts and minds through hands-on teaching methods, life sciences, and celebrating the arts; and

WHEREAS, we now pause to recognize Central Elementary School's principal, Crystal Isom, and her amazing staff and faculty for bringing a sense of calm, peace, and security to students and their parents during the civil unrest in Ferguson, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Central Elementary proudly honors their students, past and present, who strive to show academic progress, embrace and celebrate various cultures through the art of theater and dance; and we further commend the Central Stars who were the #1 regional champions for the Ferguson-Florissant Scholar Bowl in 2015 and ranked #2 in the district in 2014; and

WHEREAS, today, Central Elementary serves as a beacon of hope and history for all those who pass through its doors whether it be students, teachers, faculty, athletes, or scholars. Central Elementary is dedicated to the community and will continue to provide limitless opportunities to all students in the Ferguson Florissant School District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we wish to add our sincere congratulations and best wishes to Central Elementary School on the occasion of its 135th Anniversary and Community Day celebration. 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 honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 22nd day of May, 2015 by:

Honorable Antonio French, 21st Ward

Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4th Ward

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen

Adopted this 22nd day of May, 2015 as attested by

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen