

RESOLUTION NUMBER 52

Charlie Wilson

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that Charlie Wilson will be performing this Mother's Day Weekend at the Chafietz Arena, for the St. Louis Super Music Fest 2011; and

WHEREAS, when you hear Grammy-nominated artist Charlie Wilson's voice it reminds you of both the past and the present. He is one of the few artists whose vocal style and performance continue to influence some of today's most popular artists including R. Kelly, Justin Timberlake, Snoop Dogg, and Kanye West; and

WHEREAS, Charles Kent 'Charlie' Wilson (born January 29, 1953) is an American R&B singer-songwriter-producer and the former lead vocalist for the Gap Band. As a solo artist he has been nominated for four Grammy awards, received a 2009 Soul Train Icon Award, and a recipient of a BMI Icon Award in 2005; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Mr. Wilson was named Billboard Magazine's #1 Adult R&B Artist, and his song "There Goes My Baby" was named the #1 Urban Adult Song for 2009 in Billboard Magazine; and

WHEREAS, in December 2010, Just Charlie, was released and spawned the hit single "You Are" which held the #1 spot on the Billboard Urban Adult Contemporary chart for 13 weeks as well as 15 weeks consecutively on the Mediabase chart; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson is the national spokesperson for the Prostate Cancer Foundation (PCF.) As of July 2009, the PCF has raised over \$380 million for research and funded more than 1,500 research projects at nearly 200 institutions worldwide. The PCF has set up a Creativity Award in Mr. Wilson's name which donates hundreds of thousands of dollars a year to researchers across the country. The Creativity Award allows for the development of creative science which conforms to PCF funding principles but is short-term and designed to allow development of otherwise unfunded but good ideas.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Charlie Wilson for his many achievements and we wish him continued success 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 honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 6th day of May, 2011 by:

Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderman 19th Ward

Honorable Charles Quincy Troupe, Alderman 1st Ward

Honorable Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2nd Ward

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Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward

Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman 26th Ward

Honorable Gregory J. Carter, Alderman 27th Ward

Adopted this the 6th day of May, 2011 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen