

**Resolution Number 57**  
**World Falun Dafa Day**

**WHEREAS**, May 13, 2011 will mark the 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the World Falun Dafa Day; and

**WHEREAS**, Falun Dafa (also called Falun Gong, or just Dafa) is a high-level body, mind, and spirit cultivation practice consisting of exercise, meditation and teaching guided by the principles of Truthfulness, Compassion, and Tolerance; and

**WHEREAS**, Master Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Dafa, introduced the practice in China in May of 1992. The practice of Falun Dafa has spread around the world to more than 100 countries; and

**WHEREAS**, in the United States many men and women have adopted the practice of Falun Dafa; and

**WHEREAS**, Falun Dafa is practiced by many people of all ages in Missouri and practitioners note stress reduction, health improvement and spiritual growth; and

**WHEREAS**, all Falun Dafa activities, including classes and practices, are offered by volunteers and are open to the public free of charge; and

**WHEREAS**, Falun Dafa Day will introduce people of the St. Louis to the practice that has helped hundreds of millions across the world improve their health and moral standards, as well as deepen their understanding of life, humanity and the universe.

***NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED*** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the World Falun Dafa Day and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to include a copy of this Resolution in the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a memorial copy for presentation at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2011 by:

**Honorable Craig Schmid, Alderman 20<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Adopted this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 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