

RESOLUTION NUMBER 57
U.S. Deputy Marshal John Perry

WHEREAS, John Perry was born on May 21, 1962 in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, where he graduated from Glenbard West High School; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Perry earned a bachelor's degree in geology in 1984 from the Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville; and

WHEREAS, prior to becoming a Marshal, Deputy Perry worked in Madison County Probation for 16 years; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from the U.S. Marshal's Academy in 2001 and worked for 10 years prior to his death, first in Washington, D.C. and then, in July 2005, he began his service in St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, while in Washington, D.C., he volunteered at the call center for America's Most Wanted. Deputy Perry served as a team leader on the fugitive task force and as a firearms instructor for the U.S. Marshals of the Eastern District of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, he was well known for his sense of humor, for his role as a mentor to other Marshals and for his ability to diffuse tense situations; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Perry lost his life in the line of duty on March 8, 2011 and, true to his generous spirit, had registered as an organ donor. Deputy Perry was able to save the lives of 5 people by the donation of his heart, lungs, liver, pancreas and kidneys, as well as skin and bone tissue. The skin and bone grafts may help as many as 100 people.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and honor the many contributions of U.S. Deputy Marshal John Perry to the St. Louis community 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 8th day of June, 2012 by:

Honorable Kacie Starr Triplett, Alderwoman 6th Ward

Adopted this the 8th day of June, 2012 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen