

**RESOLUTION NO. 79**

**Orville Kirk Sr.**

**WHEREAS**, Orville Kirk Sr. was born on March 5, 1936, in St. Mary, Missouri, to the union of Mr. Hazel Kirk and Mrs. Arlelia Kirk; he was proceeded in death by both parents and siblings, Geossi Lewis, Haden Lewis, and Aubre Lewis, and

**WHEREAS**, Orville is a product of St. Louis Public Schools, attending Carver Elementary and graduating from Vashon High School; he received his B.A. Degree from Wiley College in Marshall, Texas, and a Master's of Education Degree from St. Louis University; and

**WHEREAS**, Orville enlisted in the Army Services in 1958, served in the Korean War, and continued to serve his country until 1960; and

**WHEREAS**, Orville accepted Christ at an early age and is a lifelong member of the First Baptist Church of St. Louis; and

**WHEREAS**, Orville and Joyce Scott married in 1959, and from this union three sons were born, Orville Jr., Gerald, and Ronald Kirk; and

**WHEREAS**, Orville Kirk began his employment career with the St. Louis Department of Education; he loved to inspire and help children; he began his teaching career in 1984 and impacted many young lives; his service extended beyond the classroom including Past-President of the St. Louis Chapter #103 of the International Council for Exceptional Children, Board of Directors of the Annie Malone Children and Family Service Center and Monsanto Family YMCA; Orville Kirk Sr. was also a Prince Hall Shriner and Mason; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 21, 2016, Orville Kirk Sr. transitioned to his new life; he is survived by his loving wife, Joyce Scott Kirk; his three sons, Orville Kirk Jr., Gerald Kirk (Kathy), and Ronald Kirk; his dedicated sister Hazel (Kirk) Howard; precious grandchildren Jarrick Kirk, Maya Kirk, and Cameron Kirk; adored niece Daphne Glass; close cousins Gloria Crossal (San Francisco, California), the Kirkpatrick family (Terre Haute, Indiana); loving god children Vivian King and Duan Bowen; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; Orville will be missed by students, colleagues, friends, and family.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Members of this Honorable Board of Aldermen join the sponsors of this resolution in expressing their deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. Orville Kirk Sr. upon his passing and take time from conducting the business of the Board of Aldermen for a moment of silence in respect for Mr. Kirk's passing.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Clerk of this Honorable Board of Aldermen be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to be presented to the family of Mr. Orville Kirk Sr. at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced on this 24th day June, 2016, by:

The Honorable Sharon Tyus, Alderwoman 1st Ward  
The Honorable Jeffrey Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward

Adopted this 24th day of June, 2016

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Timothy O'Connell  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen