

Resolution Number 87
Mrs. Bernice Fuse – 100th Birthday Celebration

WHEREAS, today we are here to celebrate the 100th birthday for our little Rose from Vicksburg, Mississippi. She was born on August 16, 1915 in Vicksburg to parents Thelma Sadberry and Leonard Richardson. She had one Sister Perry Peery and two brothers Willie and Burl Richardson; and

WHEREAS, she went to school in Vicksburg and graduated from St. Mary's High School. She was on the basketball team where she played center. She sang in the choir and performed in school plays where she also danced; and

WHEREAS, in 1934, she married Julius Fuse and celebrated 50 plus years of marriage. She raised 4 children – Irlene, Julius, Linda and Stephen. Currently there are 2 grand-daughters, 6 grand-sons, 6 great grand-daughters, 9 great grand-sons, 2 great-great grand-daughters and 1 great great- grandson; and

WHEREAS, she participated in many civic activities- she was a member of the block unit, was a poll worker and volunteered with the Head Start program. (Many people thought she was a certified teacher). She was active in many religious activities as a member of the Sodality and the Legion of Mary. She served on the Parish Council and the Finance Committee; and

WHEREAS, she was a world traveler and went to the Holy Land twice, Hawaii twice, Jamaica, Mexico and various states from New York to California; and

WHEREAS, she received a Certificate from the Board of Education for Advanced Sewing. She also received a Certificate of Installation in Ministries for services rendered in the work of the Almighty God from Bishop Mayes; and

WHEREAS, she has always liked to cook and especially to bake pies and cakes. She is also an avid reader. She enjoys her yard of roses and in prior years always had a garden. She has been a godparent to many and her door was always open; and

WHEREAS, so today we say Happy Birthday and thank you to our little Rose from Vicksburg, Mississippi. She would never say no when asked to do service.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to applaud and recognize the 100th Birthday Celebration of Mrs. Bernice Fuse and for her many accomplishments 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 this 7th day of August, 2015 by:

Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman 26th Ward

Adopted this 7th day of August, 2015 as attested by:

Donna Evans-Booker
Assistant Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen