

Resolution Number 89
Mid-America Transplant Services

WHEREAS, Mid-America Transplant Services (MTS) has committed itself to changing lives for the better since 1974; and

WHEREAS, MTS has facilitated the organ and tissue donation process for a service area of 4.7 million people in eastern Missouri, southern Illinois, and northeast Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, the mission of MTS is to save lives through excellence in organ and tissue donations; and

WHEREAS, MTS has built strong partnerships with 122 hospitals, four transplant centers, seven tissue specialists, and multiple community organizations including Community Renewal and Development, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, through its Mid-America Services charitable foundation MTS issued a grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Community Renewal and Development, Inc. in 2015 in efforts to support the growth and maintenance of the Fresh Starts Community Garden in the Jeff-Vander-Lou neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Community Renewal and Development Inc., through the leadership of Ms. Rosie Willis, garden manager of the Fresh Starts Community Garden has successfully recruited fifteen new local families to establish and maintain garden beds; and

WHEREAS, the successful recruitment of these fifteen families was made possible as a result of the philanthropic support of the Mid-America Transplant Services charitable foundation and under the leadership of its President, R.J. Crunk, the MTS foundation continues to support countless causes in the St. Louis region; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and thank Mr. R.J Crunk and the team at Mid-America Transplant Services for their generous gift to the Jeff-Vander-Lou neighborhood and the Fresh Starts Community Garden. We now 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 this 21st day of August, 2015 by:

Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3rd Ward
Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen

Adopted this 21st day of August, 2015 as attested by:

Donna Evans-Booker
Assistant Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen