

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 95**  
**Jermal Leon Seward, Sr.**

**WHEREAS**, we pause in our deliberations to note the passing of Jermal Leon Seward, Sr.; and

**WHEREAS**, Jermal Leon Seward, Sr. was born April 6, 1943 in Forrest City, Arkansas to Mrs. Onezer Stegall Seward and Mr. A. Mike Seward. He departed this life on Friday, July 27, 2012. His mother and father; two sisters and six brothers preceded him in death; and

**WHEREAS**, as a child he joined New Sardis Missionary Baptist Church, in Forrest City (New Castle), Arkansas, where his entire family were members; and

**WHEREAS**, Jermal was educated in the Forrest City, Arkansas School System. He graduated from Lincoln Senior High School. He attended Webster University in Saint Louis, where he attained a BA in Sociology and a minor in Elementary Education in 1975. He received his Masters in Educational Counseling from Washington University of Saint Louis in 1979. He became a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in 1992 with certifications as a Master Addiction Counselor and in Forensic Counseling; and

**WHEREAS**, Jermal's life was dedicated to serving the community, as well as his country. He served as a member of the United States Army-Private First Class. He has also worked with numerous organizations within the Saint Louis area: St. Martin Childcare Center, Providence Counseling, ECHO Children's Home, Saint Louis Caring Communities, and Better Family Life, Inc; and

**WHEREAS**, Jermal spent 25 years counseling foster care children in their homes in the Saint Louis area. He has touched the lives of hundreds of children and their parents over the years; and

**WHEREAS**, Jermal leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Carolyn Seward; son Jermal Seward II (Rachel) of Saint Louis; daughters Daraa' and Makida Seward of Saint Louis.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause to remember the many accomplishments and contributions of Jermal Leon Seward, Sr. to the citizens of the City of St. Louis and we join with his many friends in expressing our sorrow at his passing, 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 memorial copy for presentation to the Seward family, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 31st day of July, 2012 by:

**Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman 26<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Adopted this the 31st day of July, 2012 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