

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 100**

**Samuel Brown Temple African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church**

**WHEREAS**, this is the 125th Session of the Missouri Annual Conference, which is held yearly between the cities of Kansas City and St. Louis, Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, Samuel Brown Temple African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church was established in 1821 in New York but operated for a number of years before then since 1796; and

**WHEREAS**, a general conference is the supreme administrative body of the church (s. 1988). Between meetings of the conference, the church is administered by the Board of Bishops; and

**WHEREAS**, James Varick was ordained the first bishop of the AME Zion church; and

**WHEREAS**, today, the AME Zion church has more than 1.4 million members, with outreach activities in many areas around the world. An individual member is sometimes referred to as being a "Zion Methodist"; and

**WHEREAS**, today the denomination operates Livingstone College in Salisbury, NC, and two junior colleges. In 1906 the religious studies department of Livingstone College came to be known as the Hood Seminary; and

**WHEREAS**, The A.M.E. Zion Church operates five Departments: Christian Education, Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society, Connectional Lay Council, Bureau of Evangelism, and the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Colleges and Universities.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Samuel Brown Temple African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church 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 10th of July, 2014 by:

**Honorable Samuel L. Moore Alderman 4<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Adopted this the 10th of July, 2014 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