

RESOLUTION NUMBER 103

Azelie Simmons-Pitts

WHEREAS, Azelie Simmons-Pitts was born July 26, 1917 in St. Louis to parents John and Mary Simmons. She is the third of ten siblings educated in the St. Louis Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Azelie Simmons-Pitts was married to Harry Vincent Pitts for 34 years until death separated them. They were blessed with fifteen children (eight girls and seven boys); and

WHEREAS, Azelie Simmons-Pitts has been a widow for the past 46 years, but she'll let you know, "She learned how to trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not to your own understanding"; and

WHEREAS, Azelie Simmons-Pitts has been blessed to see five generations (45 grandchildren, 60 great grandchildren and 11 great great grandchildren). She is affectionately known as "Mother" by many people other than her own children. She is also known for her delicious homemade chocolate candies; and

WHEREAS, Azelie Simmons-Pitts is an ordained Deaconess under the leadership of Apostles Lee and Doris Rice at the Victory Christian Outreach Church. She is always wiling to share her Godly words of wisdom and encouragement; and

WHEREAS, Azelie says "I feel like the richest woman in the world! God has given me health, strength, a sound mind, and long life". She also says, "Trust and obey the Lord and he will fulfill all of his promises through his holy word!"; and

WHEREAS, Azelie Simmons-Pitts has been a faithful and active resident of the 21st Ward for many years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the many achievements of Azelie Simmons-Pitts and we 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 15th day of July, 2014 by:

Honorable Antonio D. French Alderman 21st Ward

Adopted this the 15th day of July, 2014 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen