

**Resolution Number 114**  
**CELEBRATION OF THE 85th BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY OF**  
**LORRAINE URA**

**WHEREAS**, LORRAINE DELORES URA was born on Monday, August 22, 1927 (the 234th day of that year) as the second child (brother: Harold) of Harold and Rose Koessler; and

**WHEREAS**, lesser known historical events of August 22, include: Ann Franklin becomes the first female U.S. newspaper editor (1762); King George III of England declares the American colonies are in open rebellion (1775); the beginning of the Haitian Slave Revolution in Saint-Domingue (1791); the U.S. annexes New Mexico (1846); First Geneva Convention (humane treatment of victims of war) signed by 12 nations ( 1864); International Red Cross founded (1864); William J. Kendall swims through Niagra Rapids wearing a cork life jacket (1886); Cadillac Motor Company founded (1901); President Theodore Roosevelt is first U.S. President to ride in an automobile (1902); first Victor Victrola manufactured (1906); theft of Mona Lisa painting discovered (1911); World War I: in Belgium the British and German troops clash for the first time in the war (1914); President Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon renominated by Republican convention in San Francisco (1956); attempt to assassinate French President Charles de Gaulle fails (1962); Hurricane Camille strikes U.S. Gulf Coast killing 255 (1969); Beatles conduct last photo session at John Lennon's & Yoko Ono's house.

**WHEREAS**, LORRAINE URA was married to Allen J. Ura (deceased) for more than 25 years and is the proud mother of three children: Carol Trauth, Don Vehlewald and Gary Vehlewald; and stepmother to six children: Joyce, Bob, Harry, Mike, Steve, and Linda; and

**WHEREAS**, LORRAINE URA has more than 25 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, 2 great, great grandchildren (and counting), and a special dog by the name of Paris; and

**WHEREAS**, LORRAINE URA, worked full-time at her father's business, Koessler Motor Company at S. Broadway and Keokuk, keeping the financial books for many years and cooking two meals each day for the workers of the business; she also worked at Anheuser Busch Brewery as a secretary and accountant and in the the Missouri Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit Court Clerk's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, LORRAINE URA loves St. Louis and has been the Democratic Committeewoman of the 10th ward (now 20th ward) since August 1996; she is an active member of St. Marcus United Church of Christ at Russell Blvd. and McNair Ave.; and has lived in her home in the Marine Villa Neighborhood for more than 50 years; and

**WHEREAS**, according to our reckoning this August 22, 2012, is an extra special birthday anniversary celebration for LORRAINE URA, because she has attained the 85 year mark.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS** that we pause in our deliberations to recognize this 85th birthday anniversary and to wish Lorraine Ura a HAPPY 85th BIRTHDAY! We wish her many more healthy years and birthdays. We further direct the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the Minutes of our proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced on the 24th day of August 2012 by

**Honorable Craig N. Schmid, Alderman 20th Ward**

Adopted this the 24th day of August, 2012 as attested:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen