

RESOLUTION NUMBER 125

Rosie Lee Faulkner

WHEREAS, Rosie Lee Faulkner was born on October 17, 1917 in Vicksburg Mississippi. She was the middle-child of Hattie Cooper and Joe Johnson. Rosie moved to Sumner, Mississippi and married John Lewis Faulkner in 1943. Her parents, sister (Josie Lee Hayes), brother (Frank Hill, Sr.), two sons (John and James), and daughter (Rosie) all preceded her in death; and

WHEREAS, Rosie and John moved from Sumner, Mississippi in 1956 to St. Louis. She retired from Barnes Hospital after 35 years of employment; and

WHEREAS, Rosie Lee Faulkner confessed a hope in Christ at the age of 12 years. She later became a faithful member of the Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in 1958. She served as a proud member of the Mother's Board and later became Vice –President until her health would not allow the service; and

WHEREAS, Rosie moved on Shawmut in 1957. She was a faithful block unit member; a neighborhood mother to all. Everyone knew her as "Moma" and always showed up on holidays looking for chitterlins; and

WHEREAS, Rosie Lee Faulkner was a loving caring mother, mother in- law, grandmother, sister and aunt. Rosie was the patriarch of her family for many years. She exemplified the meaning of family. She was a friend to many and touched many lives with her generosity and kindness. Rosie always shared her wisdom and helped when needed without being asked. She was an inspiration to all who knew of her; and

WHEREAS, Rosie leaves to cherish her memory: seven children; Gracie, Hattie, Katherine, Henderson (Linda), Mae (Jesse), JoAnn and Viola all of St. Louis; Lois Faulkner, daughter-in-law in Gary Indiana; 29 grandchildren; 40 great grandchildren; 18 great-great grandchildren; nieces, nephews of Indianapolis Indiana; Godchildren, Mary and Roland Oglesby; a host of “adopted” children, friends and the Jerusalem M.B.C. Family.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause to remember Rosie Lee Faulkner and we join with her many friends in expressing our sorrow at her 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 Faulkner family, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 24th day of June, 2011 by:

Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward

Adopted this the 24th day of June, 2011 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen