

**Resolution Number 129**  
**Nord-Amerikanischer Sangerbund**  
**Meetings Come to St. Louis**

**WHEREAS**, on June 24 & 25, 2011, in the City of St. Louis, the Liederkrantz Club, Deutscher Kulturverein Chorus, and Deutscher Mannerchor will host the Nord-Amerikanischer Sangerbund (North American Singers Association) Leadership Workshop and Music Directors' Forum; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nord-Amerikanischer Sangerbund was formed in 1848 in Cincinnati; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Louis has hosted the Nord-Amerikanischer Sangerbund 's national Sangerfest five times: number 18 in 1872, number 25 in 1888, number 31 in 1903, number 38 in 1934 and number 45 in 1964; and

**WHEREAS**, the Liederkrantz Club of St. Louis was chartered in 1870 as a mixed chorus and is the oldest German singing society west of the Mississippi River still in existence; and

**WHEREAS**, the Deutscher Kulturverein Chorus began in 1963 as a mixed singing group, but soon became a ladies chorus, which it is today; and

**WHEREAS**, the Deutscher Mannerchor began in 1986 as a men's chorus; and

**WHEREAS**, for more than 140 years the German choruses in St. Louis have been contributing to the cultural milieu of St. Louis, in addition to the red brick buildings prominent throughout St. Louis and other symbols of German influence and heritage. The German Cultural Society Hall at 3652 S. Jefferson is at the doorstep of the historic Dutchtown Neighborhood, and Stuttgart was the first sister city of St. Louis.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we pause in our deliberations to welcome everyone from the Nord-Amerikanischer Sangerbund who is in St. Louis on June 24-25, as well as the committee that on June 26 will select the music for the 2013 national Sangerfest. We also thank the Manner und Frauen of the Liederkrantz Club, Deutscher Kulturverein Chorus, Deutscher Mannerchor, and members of the German Cultural Society for contributing greatly to this event and to the German cultural heritage of St. Louis. We further direct the Clerk of this Board of Aldermen to spread this Resolution across the Minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it might be presented to the honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced on the 24th day of June, 2011 by

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

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

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen