

RESOLUTION NUMBER 133

KATHA LYNN MCKINNEY

WHEREAS, Katha Lynn McKinney was born October 7, 1949 in Ackerman, Mississippi to the union of Alvin and Mary McKinney. Katha was the third oldest of nine children; two of whom preceded her in death, Sarah McKinney –Ludd of Bowie, Maryland and Linda Myers of Saint Louis, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Katha received her elementary and high school education within the St. Louis Public School system. She went on to obtain her Bachelor's and Master's degree at National Louis University; and

WHEREAS, Katha took great pride in serving the youth and was an advocate for education; and

WHEREAS, Katha's commitment to education and the St. Louis Public School system has impacted thousands of students. She retired from SLPS district after decades of dutiful service in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Katha confessed her hope in Christ at a very young age and became a member of the Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Dr. Joseph Morgan. Katha was a faithful member and attended for many years; and

WHEREAS, Katha went on to become a committed member at St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, Katha committed to the ministries in which she served and was a proud member of her church. She truly loved her Pastor and her church family; and

WHEREAS, Katha was blessed with one son, Bryan Alexander McKinney. She was a devoted mother and best friend to Bryan; and

WHEREAS, Katha was nurturing to many young people and had a special place in her heart for mentoring and empowering young women. Katha was well loved and she touched the lives of many. She will forever be missed; and

WHEREAS, Katha is survived by: one son Bryan A. McKinney, three sisters Gloria J. McKinney-Collier, Gail D. McKinney and Carol Ann McKinney; three brothers, Terry A. McKinney, Danny E. McKinney and Michael E. McKinney all of Saint Louis, Missouri, one uncle, Martin McKinney, her loving Godparents Mr. Donald and Juanita Robinson and family, The Burns family, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and colleagues.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to celebrate the life of Katha Lynn McKinney, as well as offer our condolences to her family and friends and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to include a copy of this Resolution in the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a memorial copy for presentation at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 13th day of November, 2015 by:

Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward

Adopted this 13th day of November, 2015 as attested by:

Donna Evans-Booker
Assistant Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen