

**RESOLUTION NO. 155**  
**Sheriff James W. Murphy**

**WHEREAS**, we pause today in our deliberations to recognize the service of Sheriff James W. Murphy, who will be retiring after 28 years in office; and

**WHEREAS**, the sheriff was sworn in on January 1, 1989, and was re-elected to that office in 1992, 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008, and 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, Sheriff Murphy was trained at the St. Louis Sheriff's Training Academy at the St. Louis Police Academy and received additional training at the National Sheriffs' Association's Management Training Program in Quantico, Virginia; he also received certificates of training from the Institute of Police Technology and Management, the Missouri Police Chiefs Association, the Missouri Sheriffs' Training Conferences, and the National Sheriffs' Association for the Management of Law Enforcement Agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1994, he was named Missouri's Sheriff of the Year; Sheriff Murphy served as president of the Missouri Sheriffs' Association in 2000 and served for a number of years on the board of directors; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 3, 1999, he was presented an Award of Appreciation by the Missouri Police Chiefs Association; he was named Irish Person of the Year in 2010 by the Ancient Order of Hibernians; he received the Harry Truman Award in 1993; he won the Special Civic Award of the St. Louis Port Council in 1996; he received the 2009 Community Achievement Award presented by the Catholic Youth Apostolate; and he also has received awards from the American Cancer Society and the Missouri Highway Patrol; and

**WHEREAS**, as a young man, Murphy played soccer for the St. Louis Kutis Soccer Club, which won a national challenge match and ended up being selected as the U.S. national soccer team in 1957; Murphy ended up scoring a goal in World Cup qualifying play for the U.S. national team; he was inducted into the St. Louis Soccer Hall of Fame in 1989; and

**WHEREAS**, Sheriff Murphy has been married to his wife, Marilyn, for 57 years and has five children (Tim, Jim, Robert, Barbara, and Margie), 11 grandchildren, and four great grandchildren; he is a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and the Immaculate Heart of Mary Men's Club and has made retreats at the Jesuits' White House Retreat Center for 47 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, acknowledge, and thank Sheriff James W. Murphy for his decades of service to our City and our community. 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 commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 16th day of November, 2016, by:

**The Honorable Larry Arnowitz, Alderman, 12th Ward**

Adopted this 16th day of November, 2016, as attested by:

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Timothy O'Connell  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen