

RESOLUTION NUMBER 157
Bernice Jones

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that on Thursday, October 25, 2012, Bernice Jones will be recognized by the residents of the Twenty-Second Ward with the presentation of the Good Neighbor Award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jones has resided in this neighborhood at 5956 Romaine Pl. for more than 54 years and she is recognized and respected for her dedication to the preservation and stabilization of her neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Dairy Queen was demolished in 1964 at the location of 1374 Hodiamont Ave leaving the lot as an eyesore due to litter. After realizing that the lot would be neglected and nothing built on the site for years, Ms. Jones and her neighbors began to maintain it. She wanted a neighborhood garden and finally it was officially started in 1985 with the permission of the Land Reutilization Authority; and

WHEREAS, she has had to use her own personal money to help finance the project because of inability to get other financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, Bernice Jones has a great spirit of community service by being present and always willing to help her neighbors and the City of St. Louis is a model for the citizenry we need to rebuild a better St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jones is an exceptional member of this community and we greatly appreciate her commitment to her neighborhood and to the entire City of St. Louis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and congratulate Bernice Jones and we thank her for her continuing efforts to improve the quality of life for the residents of this City 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 commemorative copy for presentation to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 25th day of October, 2012 by:

Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward

Adopted this the 26th day of October, 2012 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen