

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 178**  
**Thelma Naomi Williamson**

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Thelma Naomi Williamson was born January 10, 1925, to the union of Blanche Naomi Lawrence and George Walter Hastings in Memphis, Tennessee; and

**WHEREAS**, after her father passed, Mrs. Williamson's mother and her sister, Pearl Elizabeth Hastings Whitlock, moved to St. Louis, Missouri, in the mid to late 1930s; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Williamson was educated at St. Rita's School for Girls, Oblate Sisters of Providence, St. Joseph High School, Stowe Teachers College the of Class of 1949, and St. Louis University with a Master Degree in 1970; and

**WHEREAS**, She pledged and was a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Gamma Omega Chapter, an active member of St. Rose of Lima and St. Augustine Catholic churches; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Williamson was a gifted Principal and Teacher with the St. Louis Public Schools for 41 years; she was active in the St. Louis community serving as Treasurer for both Northside Preservation and West End Community Conference under the leadership of Mrs. Erma Lawrence and Mrs. Marie Fowler; she was also a member of King Phenom a black psychologists' and sociologists' group in St. Louis; and

**WHEREAS**, she was united in Holy Matrimony to Frank H. Williamson for 66 years; to this union four children, Robin, Frank Jr., Robert Michael, and Rebecca were born; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Williamson departed this life on Monday, January 11, 2016. Her parents and sister Pearl preceded her in death; and

**WHEREAS**, she leaves to cherish memories: four children, Robin M. Boyce, Alderman Frank A. Williamson, Jr., Robert Michael Williamson, and Rebecca E. Marshall and her husband Michael Marshall; grandchildren, Larry Boyce, Jr., Sicily E. Boyce and Frank Reginald Williamson, Williamson James Akil Marshall, Miles Ananias Jamal Marshall, and Thelma Bernadette Kadara Marshall; great grandchildren, Kameron Boyce Trotter, Kayla Boyce, and Frank Michael (Sonny) Williamson.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause to remember Thelma Naomi Williamson and we join with her many friends and family in expressing our sorrow at her passing. 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 to the end that it may be presented to Ms. Williamson's family at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 15th day of January, 2016 by:

**The Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman Ward 18**  
**The Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen**

Adopted this 15th day of January, 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