

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 183**

**Honorable Alderwoman Phyllis Young**

**WHEREAS**, Alderwoman Phyllis Young is resigning her position as the representative of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward after almost 30 years of stellar service to the City of St. Louis; and

**WHEREAS**, Phyllis graduated from Roosevelt High School and then University of Missouri at Columbia. She stayed for a master's program in teaching children with behavioral issues. She returned to St. Louis and taught for Special School District of St. Louis County for 13 years; and

**WHEREAS**, she and her husband, Jim, moved into their house in Soulard in 1978. She became active in the neighborhood as well as local politics. She served as president of the Soulard Restoration Group and as a board member for a number of years; as a member of Neighborhood Housing Services, as a board member and president for St. Agatha Daycare Center, and volunteered in many capacities throughout the neighborhood. She was also president of the 7th Ward Independent Democratic Organization and worked on many campaigns; and

**WHEREAS**, Phyllis was elected 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman after a hard fought primary in 1985. She has served as Chairwoman of the Residential Development, Parks & Environmental Matters, Streets, Traffic and Refuse, Ways & Means, Legislation, Transportation & Commerce and Public Safety Committees; and

**WHEREAS**, Phyllis has played a very significant role in many amazing changes to the City of St. Louis - from downtown lofts filled with residents to reborn neighborhoods, from an expanded convention center to the Renaissance Hotel, the beautifully renovated downtown St. Louis Public Library, the Metropolitan Square building, the South Side Early Childhood Center, the new Busch Stadium and BallPark Village; and

**WHEREAS**, She was awarded the John H. Poelker Levee Stone Award that recognizes leadership, extraordinary vision and personal commitment in advancing the revitalization of downtown St. Louis.

**WHEREAS**, for the past 29 years, Alderwoman Young has been a guiding force in The Christmas Program - which is a cooperative effort by the agencies of Guardian Angel Settlement, Kingdom House, and St. Vincent's Church to provide assistance at the holidays for families and seniors who might otherwise have very little to celebrate; and

**WHEREAS**, Phyllis has always served with integrity and civility, always balancing the interests of residents and businesses. The Downtown, Soulard, Lafayette Square, LaSalle Park, King Heights, Benton Park, Compton Heights, Fox Park and surrounding neighborhoods have all benefited and improved from her enlightened leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, Phyllis will enjoy in her retirement gardening, trying new restaurants, traveling, and spending time with her many friends and siblings and adorable nephew in Texas; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to express our sincere appreciation to Alderwoman Phyllis Young for her outstanding contributions to this Board, the residents of the Seventh Ward, and the City of St. Louis as a whole and we further wish Phyllis the best in her retirement and to say that her wisdom, charm and always pleasant demeanor will be missed at the Board, and we direct the Clerk of his 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 distinguished honoree.

Introduced on the 12th day of December, 2014 by:

**Honorable Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board	Honorable Megan Green, Alderwoman 15 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward	Honorable Donna Baringer, Alderwoman 16 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ward	Honorable Joseph Roddy, Alderman 17 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Tammika Hubbard, Alderwoman 5 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman 19 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Christine Ingrassia, Alderwoman 6 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Craig Schmid, Alderman 20 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Phyllis Young, Alderwoman 7 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Antonio D. French, Alderman 21 <sup>st</sup> Ward
Honorable Stephen J. Conway, Alderman 8 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22 <sup>nd</sup> Ward
Honorable Kenneth A. Ortmann, Alderman 9 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Joseph Vaccaro, Alderman 23 <sup>rd</sup> Ward
Honorable Joseph Vollmer, Alderman 10 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Shane Cohn, Alderman 25 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Thomas Villa, Alderman 11 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman 26 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Larry Arnowitz, Alderman 12 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Honorable Chris Carter, Alderman 27 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Honorable Beth Murphy, Alderwoman 13 <sup>th</sup> Ward	
Honorable Carol Howard, Alderwoman 14 <sup>th</sup> Ward	

Adopted this the 12th day of December, 2014 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney

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Lewis E. Reed

Clerk, Board of Aldermen

President, Board of Aldermen