

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 185**

**Yolanda Adams**

**WHEREAS**, Singer and Songwriter, Yolanda Adams and her *Health & Lifestyle Tour* is developing continued awareness of major chronic illnesses that adversely affect African Americans, such as diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure, also known as hypertension, a serious chronic condition which affects approximately 1 in 3 adults in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, African Americans are at a higher risk of developing high blood pressure than other ethnic group for reasons that are not fully understood; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Believe in Healthy BP*, a national hypertension awareness campaign has been launched by Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation in conjunction with the *2011 Yolanda Adams Health & Lifestyle Tour*; and

**WHEREAS**, The *Believe in Healthy BP* hypertension awareness campaign has a mission to: raise awareness of the dangers of high blood pressure within the African American population; communicate the need for regular blood pressure screenings; issue a call to action for people to get their blood pressure checked; encourage those affected by high blood pressure to work closely with their healthcare professionals to manage their blood pressure, and seek effective medications, if necessary; and actively incorporate lifestyle changes and modifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Louis supports the mission of the *Believe in Healthy BP* hypertension awareness campaign.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen for the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the contributions and selflessness of Yolanda Adams and direct the Clerk of this Board to prepare a commemorative copy of this resolution to the end that it may be presented to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced on the 19th day of August, 2011 by:

**Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board of Aldermen

Honorable Charles Quincy Troupe, Alderman 1<sup>st</sup> Ward

Honorable Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward

Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4<sup>th</sup> Ward

Honorable April Ford Griffin, Alderwoman 5<sup>th</sup> Ward

Honorable Kacie Starr Triplett, Alderwoman 6<sup>th</sup> Ward

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Honorable Antonio D. French, Alderman 21<sup>st</sup> Ward

Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22<sup>nd</sup> Ward

Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman 26<sup>th</sup> Ward

Honorable Gregory J. Carter, Alderman 27<sup>th</sup> Ward

Adopted this the 19th day of August, 2011 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen