

Resolution Number 192
Dr. Eugene B. Redmond

WHEREAS, we pause to honor Dr. Eugene B. Redmond for his many contributions to our community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Redmond earned his bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois in 1964 and his masters from Washington University in 1966, both in English Literature; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Redmond has published works of poetry, has contributed numerous articles to journals in addition to other scholarly publications; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Redmond was named Poet Laureate of East St. Louis in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Redmond along with Mrs. Darlene Roy, Mr. Sherman L. Fowler found the writers club in 1986 and they published the Drum Revue in collaboration with Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Redmond is Professor Emeritus of creative writing at SIUE and was recently inducted into their hall of fame; and

WHEREAS, many people admire Dr. Redmond's writing style and intellect, among them one being Dr. Maya Angelou who is a close friend and considers him to be like a brother.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Dr. Eugene B. Redmond and thank him for sharing with us his literary talents. Also we applaud him for his dedication to the St. Louis community, as well as his selflessness in mentoring countless students. 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 on the 7th day of December 2012 by:

Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18th Ward

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen

Adopted this 7th day of December, 2012 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen