

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 216**  
**Connor's Cause**

**WHEREAS**, on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, a 7 pound 14 ounce hero was born named Connor Raymond Voigt; and

**WHEREAS**, months before he was born, Connor's parents, Neil and Whitney Voigt, learned that he had severe hydrocephalus, increased cerebrospinal fluid on the brain; Connor would require surgery on the second day of his life, and it would be the first of many; and

**WHEREAS**, at three months old, Connor was diagnosed with a rare and severe form of congenital muscular dystrophy, known as Walker-Warburg Syndrome, a life-limiting disease with no cure; in the days and months to follow, Neil and Whitney had no choice but to live life to its fullest and cherish their time with Connor as a family; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 11, 2015, Connor Raymond Voigt was called home, leaving his parents a calling to help others; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in Connor's name that Neil and Whitney Voigt are dedicated to helping families, with little warriors like Connor, by standing and fighting beside them; Connor inspired his parents to help others in situations similar to theirs; the mission of "Connor's Cause" is to help families through local organizations, whether it is donating meals or purchasing special needs equipment; among the organizations Connor's Cause has helped are: St. Louis Children's Hospital, Ronald McDonald House Charities of St. Louis, and Missouri First Steps.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to thank Connor's Cause for its commitment to serving families in the St. Louis community. 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 3rd day of February, 2017, by:

**The Honorable Joseph Vaccaro, Alderman 23rd Ward**

Adopted the 3rd day of February, 2017, as attested by:

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Timothy G. O'Connell  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen