

**Resolution Number 289**  
**The Community Action Agency of St. Louis County (CAASTLC)**

**WHEREAS**, the Community Action Agency of St. Louis County (CAASTLC) was asked by the State, in accordance with the CSBG law to provide interim services to the City of St. Louis and Wellston, Effective October 1, 2011 due to its experience and geographic proximity to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, CAASTLC immediately established its City Services Division, which has opened three offices within the City of St. Louis, located at 2012 Martin Luther King, 6827 S. Broadway and 5935 Horton; and is working in partnership with the St. Louis Full Service Public Schools, the United Way and many other organizations and businesses within the City; and these locations are providing vital services to residents of St. Louis City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Louis has an estimated 88,000 individuals living in poverty and potentially in need of services; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1964 there has been an “eligible entity,” Community Action Agency designated to provide such services and receive funds as outlined in the Community Services Block Grant in the City of St. Louis; and

**WHEREAS**, the closing of the Community Action Agency in St. Louis City, HDC, left many families in the City of St. Louis without access to vital services, and the City without a designated Community Action Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, CAASTLC has formed an advisory board composed of City elected officials, low-income residents of the City, and other agencies and area businesses operating within the City with knowledge of community needs; has developed a leadership staff of Community Action professionals who have worked and lived in the City for more than 30 years with and have experience with the challenges low income residents face and knowledge of how to deliver services to the city population; and

**WHEREAS**, CAASTLC has affirmed that low-income residents of the City of St. Louis will fully benefit from all CSBG funds allocated for the City of St. Louis citizens and that this management model will achieve efficiency by sharing and not duplicating administrative expenses.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we hereby support the Community Action Agency of St. Louis County and its City Services Division in its efforts to become the “eligible entity” Community Action Agency for the city of St. Louis and receive CSBG funding to provide services to City residents.

Introduced on the 13th day of January, 2012 by:

**Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward**

Adopted this the 13th day of January, 2012 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