

RESOLUTION NUMBER 84

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that Zelra McNeal has been awarded the 22nd Ward Good Neighbor Award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McNeal has resided in the 4300 block of Darby Street for nearly 40 years and has been very active in the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McNeal is a member of the Board of Directors for the Hamilton Heights Neighborhood Organization, Inc and was instrumental in the opening of the Hamilton Heights Day Care Center; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McNeal is a former member of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Job Corps Center where she was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, Ms. McNeal was instrumental in obtaining a Gateway Greening Project grant where she along with other block members installed and maintain eight large planters and trees in the 5800-6000 blocks of Natural Bridge Avenue; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 Ms. McNeal created a flower garden in the 3700 block of Darb Street where she enlisted children from the neighborhood to learn gardening techniques as well as assist with maintaining the neighborhood garden; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McNeal has worked tirelessly to involve the residents in the 22nd Ward in the beautification of their block and surrounding areas and her community orientation also includes businesses owners in beautifying and maintaining their area.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that we pause in our deliberations to congratulate Zelra McNeal on being awarded the 22nd Ward Good Neighbor Award and for her many contributions to the St. Louis community and we thank her for her tireless efforts on behalf of our citizens and 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 for presentation to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 22nd day of June, 2007 by:

Honorable Jeffrey Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward

Adopted this the 22nd day of June, 2007 as attested: