

# *RESOLUTION NO. 82*

*WHEREAS*, Pride St. Louis is Adedicated to increasing the awareness of the general public to the presence of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered individuals in the community in an effort to eliminate prejudice and achieve harmony@; and

*WHEREAS*, For nearly thirty years, Pride St. Louis, an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization, has organized highly successful Pride activities for our community, including PrideFest, the Midwest-s largest gay and lesbian pride event; and

*WHEREAS*, PrideFest celebration attracts 80,000 to 100,000 attendees from across our region, our state, our country and even a few international visitors; and

*WHEREAS*, This year-s Pridefest is celebrated June 23-24, 2007; and

*WHEREAS*, Pride St. Louis and Pridefest serve to unite the community and provide an opportunity for the entire community to come together with a spirit of diversity and tolerance.;

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and thank Pride St. Louis who has provided untiring dedication to the elimination of prejudice and to achieve harmony in the City of St. Louis 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 to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 21st day of June, 2007 by:

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

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