

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 329**

**William Rhone, Jr.**

**WHEREAS**, William Rhone, Jr., affectionately known as Junior, was born on May 10, 1941 in St. Louis, Missouri to the union of William and Bernice Rhone, both who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his oldest sister, Delores Williams and his youngest sister, Jardell Bass; and

**WHEREAS**, Junior and Hilda Robinson were joined in holy matrimony and to this union three sons were born. Through life experiences and personal sacrifices, he provided his sons with a strong sense of family and responsibility, which helped to establish true Rhone Manhood; and

**WHEREAS**, he was educated in both the Archdiocese of St. Louis and the St. Louis Public School System. His employment began at the age of 12 where he became an experienced butcher. After years with General Motors, he was employed with Bi-State Development Agency where he retired after many years of service. After retirement, Junior's favorite pastime became sleeping all day and staying up all night eating and watching Westerns with his dedicated and devoted wife and movie partner, Hilda; and

**WHEREAS**, Junior enjoyed hanging with his "boys" at Buck's Barbershop talking about sports and old times. Everyone he came in contact with knew about the accomplishments of his sons and family. His love for his grandsons was felt by all and he beamed with pride when he spoke of them. His hearty laugh and broad smile is one that will remain in the memories of his friends and family forever; and

**WHEREAS**, he will be remembered by his loving wife of 48 years, Hilda; his three sons Jeffrey Anthony, William III, and Eric Charles (Angela); six grandsons—William IV, James, Exccle, Eric II, Arlington, and Eldridge; and Stephon Adams; one sister-in-law, seven brother-in-laws, nine nieces, seven nephews, five great nieces, 11 great nephews, seven great great nieces and nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the life and achievements of William Rhone, Jr. 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 9th day of February, 2009 by:

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

Charles Quincy Troupe, Alderman 1<sup>st</sup> Ward  
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Frank Williamson, Alderman 26<sup>th</sup> Ward  
Gregory J. Carter, Alderman 27<sup>th</sup> Ward  
Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28<sup>th</sup> Ward

Adopted this the 13th day of February, 2009 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