

RESOLUTION NUMBER 20

Donna Wilkinson

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that Donna Wilkinson will be receiving a Leadership Award at the St. Louis Community Empowerment Foundation's 7th Annual Salute to Women in Leadership Awards on May 7 , 2010; and

WHEREAS, Donna Wilkinson arrived in St. Louis from Oklahoma City with her husband, Bud Wilkinson, and soon established herself as one of the city's key fundraisers. She opened The Wilkinson Group Inc. in 1995, operating out of her Central West End townhouse with an assistant; and

WHEREAS, in the last decade, Ms. Wilkinson has helped raise millions of dollars for dozens of St. Louis institutions, including the Saint Louis Art Museum, Opera Theatre, The Repertory Theatre, Harris Stowe University, Laumeier Sculpture Park, National Children's Cancer Society and the St. Louis Science Center; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wilkinson sits on a number of boards: the St. Louis Science Center, Regional Arts Commission, Missouri Historical Society, Grand Center, Saint Louis Symphony, The Sheldon, Opera Theatre and Girls Inc.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Donna Wilkinson and we wish her continued success, achievement and accomplishment 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 30th day of April, 2010 by:

Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderman 19th Ward

Adopted this the 30th day of April, 2010 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen