

RESOLUTION NUMBER 57

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that after 60 years as organist and choir director at Epiphany Lutheran Church, John Bernthal will retire on July 30, 2006; and

WHEREAS, John Was born on October 24, 1927 in Otto, Missouri, the son of Reverend Otto and Christine Bernthal; and

WHEREAS, John attended Roosevelt High School after his family move to St. Louis and after graduating he spent many years as a valuable employee at Frisco Railroad and Concordia Publishing Company from which he retired in 1990; and

WHEREAS, John married the love of his life, Eunice Kassel, in 1952 and together they were blessed with two daughters, Diane and Karen; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his musical gifts John has served Epiphany Lutheran Church in many capacities, including President of the Congregation and numerous boards and committees;

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 congratulate John Bernthal for 60 years of outstanding service to the members of Epiphany Lutheran Church and we wish him peace, happiness and good health in his retirement 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 23rd day of June, 2006 by:

Honorable Alfred Wessels, Alderman 13th Ward

Adopted this the 23rd day of June, 2006 as attested:

Patrick J. Connaghan
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

James F. Shrewsbury
President, Board of Aldermen