

RESOLUTION NUMBER 14

WHEREAS, the month of May is recognized in the State of Missouri and the City of St. Louis as “Foster Parent Month”; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the Missouri Children’s Division, foster parents provide a safe and stable surrounding for children whose natural parents and families are in crisis and seeking the help they need to reestablish a healthy home environment; and

WHEREAS, all children need and deserve a warm home, nutritious meals, clean clothes and someone to love and care for them; and

WHEREAS, more than 1300 children from the City of St. Louis live in foster care; and

WHEREAS, the generous and devoted individuals and families who provide the safe havens of the Missouri foster care system are providing an extraordinary service to this city and state which will be evident for years to come as the foster children of today, who so greatly benefit from this program, grow into the community leaders of tomorrow;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations, as we begin Foster Parent Month, to recognize and thank the foster parents who serve the children of the City of St. Louis and the State of Missouri and we encourage families and individuals throughout this community to support this important effort to ensure the safety, health and well being of our youth 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 honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 5th day of May, 2006 by:

Honorable James F. Shrewsbury, President of the Board of Aldermen
Honorable Craig Schmid, Alderman 20th Ward

Adopted this the 5th day of May, 2006 as attested by:

Patrick J. Connaghan
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

James F. Shrewsbury
President, Board of Aldermen