

RESOLUTION NUMBER 67

WHEREAS, the North Grand Neighborhood Services organization has been formed to assist in the stabilization of the neighborhood near North Market and Grand Avenues; and

WHEREAS, the organization's mission is to decrease the number of abandoned and vacant houses in its community; and

WHEREAS, the organization is committed to providing affordable housing through the construction of new housing in addition to rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, the organization also seeks to develop community programs that will promote stability and unity among area residents; and

WHEREAS, the current Board of Directors of North Grand Neighborhood Services includes; Rev. Gary Meier, Donna Torrillo, Brenda Tillman, Larry Chapman, Leon Henderson, Leonard Metzger, Percy Starks and Charles Tillman; and

WHEREAS, the North Grand Neighborhood Services organization recently celebrated a "Sneak Preview/Groundbreaking" ceremony to celebrate phases of its Solomon Project; and

WHEREAS, the organization is sponsoring "An Elegant Afternoon of Art" on Sunday, June 10th at the Chase Park Plaza Hotel to raise funds to allow the organization to continue its mission.

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 outstanding works of North Grand Neighborhood Services and to acknowledge them as a key linchpin in the continued revitalization of the 5th Ward of 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 8th day of June 2007 by:

Honorable April Ford Griffin, Alderwoman 5th Ward

Adopted this the 8th day of June 2007 as attested: