

Resolution No. 100
95th Annual Knights of Peter Claver National Convention

WHEREAS, Saint Peter Claver was born in Catalonia in Spain in 1581 and is often known as the Apostle of the Negro Slaves; and

WHEREAS, Saint Peter Claver aided slaves by bringing food, caring for the sick and ministering to their souls. Over a 40 year period, Peter baptized over three hundred thousand slaves; and

WHEREAS, Peter throughout his life made frequent visits to hospitals and prisons and spent many hours of each day hearing confessions and preaching in public squares; and

WHEREAS, Saint Peter Claver died on September 8, 1654 and was beatified by Pope Pius IX in 1851. He is remembered and honored on September 9th; and

WHEREAS, the 95th Annual Knights of Peter Claver National Convention is being held in the City of St. Louis from July 30th to August 7th, 2010 to celebrate 101 years of Catholic service.

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 selflessness labors of Saint Peter Claver and acknowledge the 95th Annual Knights of Peter Claver National Convention 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 4th day of June, 2010 by:

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board of Aldermen

Adopted this the 4th day of June, 2010 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen