

Resolution Number 108
Sergeant Jerome Noah Klipfel

Whereas, we have been apprised that Sergeant Jerome Noah Klipfel recently retired from the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department after 37 years of dedicated service; and

Whereas, Sergeant Klipfel attended Sacred Heart House of Study Seminary in 1966. Sergeant Klipfel left the seminary and graduated from Portageville High School, Portageville, Missouri in 1969; and

Whereas, Sergeant Klipfel served in the United States Navy from 1969 until discharged in 1971; and

Whereas, during Sergeant Klipfel's career he served in Districts 1, 3, 4, the Area II Detective Bureau, the Asset Forfeiture Section, the original TACT Unit of the 1970's and ultimately finishing his career in the Mobile Reserve; and

Whereas, Sergeant Klipfel was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in September of 1987; and

Whereas, Sergeant Klipfel is the last original member of the 1978 HRT (Hostage Rescue Team) and continued as a member of the team until his retirement this year. Sergeant Klipfel spent 31 years as a HRT/ SWAT member, both as an operator and supervisor. Sergeant Klipfel is nationally known for his expertise in SWAT work and training. In 1999, the Honorable Board of Police Commissioners designated the Mobile Reserve Unit as the new HRT/SWAT. At that time, Sergeant Klipfel was officially titled as the Hostage Rescue Team Coordinator/ Mobile Reserve Deputy Commander where he remained until his retirement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to thank and recognize Sergeant Jerome Noah Klipfel for his long and productive service to the City of St. Louis and the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. We express our best wishes to him for good health and happiness in his well-deserved 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 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 August, 2009 by:

Honorable Stephen M. Gregali, Alderman 14th Ward

Adopted this the 4th day of August, 2009 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen