

RESOLUTION NO. 112

WHEREAS, On August 10 - 12, 2007, the Morrow-Boyd Family Reunion will be held in St. Louis at the St. Louis Renaissance Hotel Airport.

WHEREAS, Research of the Morrow family's history indicates that they are descendants of Jane Morrow Boyd born in 1837 in an unknown location in Georgia; Records indicate that Jane's mother was named Senna but her father could not be determined; Senna and Jane arrived in Fayette County, Tennessee in the 1840's where they lived on the plantation of William L. Morrow, and

WHEREAS, The records reveal that Senna had at least seven children by Joshua Morrow; Senna Morrow's children were: Jane Morrow, Jiles Dority Morrow, Harrison Morrow Sr., Isaac Morrow, Simon Morrow, Terrell Morrow, Houston Morrow and Lawson Morrow all representing the second generation of the Morrow Family; and

WHEREAS, Jane had eight children; Three children were fathered by John T. Morrow, namely: Rosetta Morrow-Beard, Silas Morrow and Clarissa Morrow Pointer/Stinson; Jane married Alec Boyd in 1866 and had five children, namely Charles Boyd Sr., Marion (Mary) Boyd Wortham, Isaac Boyd, Eliza Boyd Walker and Lula Boyd Davis representing the third generation of the Morrow Family; and

WHEREAS, Jane Morrow-Boyd died in 1878 in Fayette County, Tennessee; Seven of Jane's children moved to Monroe County, Arkansas in 1884 and eventually moved to Marvell, Arkansas; Clarissa Morrow and her first husband Edward Pointer purchased farmland in March, 1893 near Silas land in Turner and Eliza Boyd and her husband, Gordon Walker purchased farmland in 1895 near Silas and Clarissa; Lula Boyd and her husband, Daniel Bester Davis, purchased land in 1900 north of Marvell, Arkansas

WHEREAS, Marion Boyd Wortham died in Circa in 1902 leaving two small children; In 1907 Charlie Boyd, Sr. died leaving five young children; Isaac Morrow died in 1907 leaving a young family and a brother; Terrel Morrow died in 1909 leaving a young family; Lucindia Patterson died in 1907 and had eight children; Clarissa Morrow Pointer Stinson had seven children;

WHEREAS, Rosetta Morrow-Counts, mother of Delois Atkins, was the first family member to relocate to the St. Louis area in 1951 followed by Mary Morow-Burress and Wendell and Nelson Morrow; The oldest living relative, 5th generation, is Vivian "buss" Wade who resides in Detroit; The youngest family member, 8th generation, is Joshua Tounsel who resides in Detroit;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, meeting in regular session, that we recognize the Morrow-Boyd Family and recognize that all of the experiences of the family throughout the generations helped strengthen the family's faith in God and motivated many family members to leave the rural south to seek their fortune in cities such as St. Louis, Chicago, Gary, Detroit and others; and we direct the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of this proceeding and to prepare a commemorative copy to be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced on the 8st day of August, 2007 by:

Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderwoman, 19th Ward

Adopted this 8th day of August, 2007 as attested by:

