

RESOLUTION NUMBER 149
The National Black Police Association 36th National Education and Training Conference

WHEREAS, the National Black Police Association (NBPA) is holding its 36th National Education and Training Conference in St. Louis, Missouri August 17-24, 2008 at the Hilton Hotel at the Ballpark; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis is the birth place of the NBPA. There were thirteen African American Peace Associations present at the meeting in November 1972. with representatives from the host city as well as: New York City and Buffalo, New York; Flint and Detroit, Michigan; Richmond, San Francisco, and Los Angeles, California; Cincinnati, Akron, Dayton, and Cleveland, Ohio; Chicago, Illinois; Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; New Orleans, Louisiana; Baltimore, Maryland; Newark, New Jersey; Bridgeport, Connecticut; Louisville, Kentucky; and Denver, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the NBPA is an advocacy organization established in 1972 for the purpose of evaluating the discriminatory impact of the criminal justice system on criminal justice practitioners and communities of color; and

WHEREAS, the NBPA is a nationwide organization of African American Police Associations dedicated to the promotion of justice, fairness, and effectiveness in law enforcement. The NBPA has several chartered organizations throughout the United States, and associate members in Canada, Bermuda, and the Union Kingdom; and

WHEREAS, the principal concerns of the NBPA center upon law enforcement issues and the effect of those issues upon the total community. The NBPA serves as an advocate for minority police officers and establishes a national network for the training and education of all police officers and others interested in law enforcement.

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 National Black Police Association (NBPA) for its many accomplishments and we wish the organization continued success, achievement and accomplishment 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 15th day of July, 2008 by:

Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderman 19th Ward

Adopted this the 15th day of July, 2008 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen