

RESOLUTION NUMBER 171
Mellve Shahid

WHEREAS , in November of 2006, after the passing of his mother Mary Ann, Mellve Shahid took it upon himself to design, develop and implement The Empowerment Network, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, in March of 2007, Mellve Shahid was diagnosed with prostate cancer and upon this diagnosis took up a calling to fight prostate cancer through education and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shahid is a leader in 100 Black Men of Metropolitan St. Louis, Co-Chairman of the Survivor's Committee Prostate Cancer Survivor's & Awareness Walk, Founder of The Empowerment Network, created the 1st Prostate Cancer Awareness Breakfast Program for Seniors, and partnered with State Legislators to establish H.B. 2549 Prostate Cancer Legislation. He also has received the Health & Wellness Award from Harris-Stowe State University Collegiate 100; and

WHEREAS, Mellve Shahid works tirelessly from street corners to the state capital to bring awareness and encourage early detection of prostate cancer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Mellve Shahid for his selfless dedication to fighting prostate cancer 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 26th day of September, 2008 by:

Honorable Gregory Carter, Alderman 27th Ward
Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen

Adopted this the 26th day of September, 2008 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen