

*RESOLUTION NUMBER 175*

*WHEREAS*, on October 27, 2006, the St. Louis Cardinals won their first World Series title in 23 years after defeating the Detroit Tigers in the fifth game of the 2006 World Series; and

*WHEREAS*, this unforeseen and unforgettable ending to the 2006 baseball season is a triumph for every member of the Cardinals organization as well as the citizens of the St. Louis Metropolitan area and Cardinal fans around the world; and

*WHEREAS*, the 2006 Cardinals team epitomized sportsmanship, selfless play, team spirit, determination and heart in the course of winning 83 games in the regular season and defeating the San Diego Padres and the New York Mets in the National League playoffs; and

*WHEREAS*, during the month of October, former Cardinal legends, Stan Musial, Bob Gibson, Lou Brock and Ozzie Smith were joined by new Cardinal legends David Eckstein, Albert Pujols, Jeff Suppan, Cris Carpenter, Yadier Molina, Adam Wainwright, Scott Rolen and Jim Edmonds; and

*WHEREAS*, fans of the St. Louis Cardinals do not live only in St. Louis or in the Midwest, but all across the country and the world, and a grateful "Cardinals Nation" thanks the team for bringing a record tenth World Championship to this community; and

*WHEREAS*, it is with great civic pride that we proclaim that the City of St. Louis is home to the **World Champion St. Louis Cardinals**;

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and honor the players, coaches, management and owners of the 2006 World Champion St. Louis Cardinals and we thank them for their hard work, dedication and spirit during this memorable baseball season 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 for presentation to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 15th day of December, 2006 by:

**Honorable Stephen Gregali, Alderman 14th Ward**

Adopted this the 15th day of December, 2006 as attested:

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Patrick J. Connaghan  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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James F. Shrewsbury  
President, Board of Aldermen