

RESOLUTION NUMBER 205
IRA REESE

***WHEREAS*, we have been apprised of the passing of Ira Reese on October 12, 2007. Ira Reese was born to the late Rafe and Mattie Reese on February 2, 1918 in Tupelo, Mississippi; and**

***WHEREAS*, Ira joined the Army early in his life, serving in World War II, and received an honorable discharge; and**

***WHEREAS*, Ira moved to St. Louis, Missouri in 1935. He met and married the late Eula Mai Owens in 1950. To this union was born a daughter and a son; and**

***WHEREAS*, Ira worked as a brake machinist for McDonnell Douglas, where he retired after 35 years of employment; and**

***WHEREAS*, Ira was the best dad, brother, friend and neighbor anyone could have. He was known as “Mr. Reese” to all the neighborhood community. He was especially loved by the kids in the neighborhood because of his generosity. He always had candy, cookies or ice cream for them. He was also a lover of all “white” Ford auto mobiles, especially his “Crown Victoria”; and**

***WHEREAS*, Ira leaves to cherish his memory, daughter, Florence Stewart (Adrian); son, Keith Reese (Vernice); brother, Winston Reese (Betty); sister-in-law, Vonda Reese (Buffalo, New York); four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; five great, great grandchildren; nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of loving friends.**

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that, on behalf of the St. Louis community, we pause to remember the many contributions of Ira Reese to the citizens of the City of St. Louis, and we join with his many friends in expressing our sorrow at his passing, 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 memorial copy for presentation to the family, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.**

Introduced on the 19th day of October, 2007 by:

Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman, 4th Ward

Adopted this the 19th day of October, 2007 as attested by:

**Denise Watson-Wesley Coleman
Clerk, Board of Aldermen**

**Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen**