

RESOLUTION NUMBER 230
2008 St. Louis City NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner

WHEREAS, the St. Louis NAACP is hosting its Annual Freedom Fund Dinner to honor those who have made significant contributions and have been pioneers in the community; and

WHEREAS, since 1914, the St. Louis City NAACP has provided leadership and worked diligently to eliminate barriers to equality for minority groups. Its programs in the community has helped make all races aware of the need to eradicate racial inequality and poverty; and

WHEREAS, monies raised through the Freedom Fund Dinner will enable the NAACP to continue to undertake local programs that include voter education, housing, prison reform, and the furthering of equal employment and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the NAACP will present the Lifetime Achievement Award to the following "Pioneers in Medicine": **Leslie Bond, Sr., M.D.**; **Bernard Randolph, Sr., M.D.**; **James Whittico, M.D.**; and **Jerome Williams, Sr., M.D.** The NAACP will honor the following individuals with the Commitment to St. Louis Award: **Robert Clark**, Chairman and CEO of CLAYCO; **Steven N. Cousins, Esp.**, Partner Armstrong Teasdale LLP; and **Karen S. Kalish**, President of Estelle W. and Karen S. Kalish Foundation.

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 2008 St. Louis City NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Dinner and this years awardees for the selfless contributions to our community and congratulate them on receiving this honor 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 7th day of November, 2008 by:

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen

Adopted this the 7th day of November, 2008 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen