

*RESOLUTION NUMBER 239*  
*UNION MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH*

***WHEREAS*, Union Memorial United Methodist Church is celebrating 161 years of ministry in the St. Louis community and opened the doors in 1846; and**

***WHEREAS*, Union Memorial is the oldest United Methodist African-American church in St. Louis, Missouri and one of the four oldest churches west of the Mississippi River; and**

***WHEREAS*, this dynamic, diverse and energetic congregation offers something for the entire family. Youth find a place of nurture and growth; families find support and encouragement and single people find community and support; and**

***WHEREAS*, Union Memorial is committed to and engaged in nurture, outreach and mission; and**

***WHEREAS*, the people of Union Memorial come from a broad socio-economic background with one goal in mind – lifting up Christ by being in ministry.**

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Union Memorial United Methodist Church for their rich history, leadership, work and contributions to the City of St. Louis 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 16th day of November, 2007 by:**

**Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman 26<sup>th</sup> Ward  
Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President**

**Adopted this the 16th day of November, 2007 as attested by:**

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

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