

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 242**  
**Fr. William Hutchinson, SJ**

**WHEREAS**, we have been apprised that Fr. William Hutchinson, SJ is being honored as part of the Bank of America Neighborhood Excellence Initiative as a Hero; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1973 Fr. William Hutchison, SJ, has been a catalyst in The Ville and Greater Ville neighborhoods of St. Louis, Missouri where he helped start Northside Community Center (NCC); and

**WHEREAS**, using St. Matthew Church as a base, Fr. Hutchison gathered several neighborhood residents to discuss human service needs in the neighborhood. He successfully wrote government, foundation and corporate grants to renovate a building and start a Senior Citizen Center; and

**WHEREAS**, the Center serves 400 home delivered meals and 50 congregate meals Monday through Friday via the Older Americans Act through the St. Louis Area Agency on Aging. The Center also operates three vans for transportation to clinics, shopping, and recreation. Each year approximately 400 Senior Citizens are assisted in filling out “circuit breaker” forms to assist low-income seniors receive property tax or rental refunds. Many seniors receive over \$500. The Center has been a United Way agency for 15 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Fr. Hutchinson is an active community leader who sees a problem and moves quickly to solve it, an excellent motivator who inspires others to “join the cause” and work collectively towards a remedy and knows how to obtain financial as well as human resources to bring about positive community change.

**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 Fr. William Hutchinson, SJ and we wish him continued success, achievement and accomplishment 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 21st day of November, 2008 by:

**Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4th Ward**

Adopted this 21st day of November, 2008 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen