

RESOLUTION NUMBER 264
Charlene Lofton Jones

WHEREAS, Charlene Lofton Jones was born in St. Louis and graduated from Vashon High School. She was the first member of her family to attend college and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Rockford College; and

WHEREAS, her education continued and she attained a Master's Degree in political science from the University of Colorado in Boulder and a Doctorate of Philosophy in public policy analysis and administration from Saint Louis University; and

WHEREAS, she joined St. Louis Public Schools in 1983 and moved into a series of senior-level administrative positions, including Associate Superintendent for Personnel, Executive Director of Planning and Assistant to the Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, after 25 years of dedicated service to the St. Louis Public Schools, this will be her last year with the district. She will join the Harris-Stowe State University staff as a political science professor; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jones will bring hands-on experience in politics to her classroom having served as campaign manager for St. Louis Public Schools tax and bond issue campaigns. She is responsible for winning 20 campaigns and has helped raise more than \$550 million for the district; and

WHEREAS, her favorite colors are red and white which her staff dutifully wore during every campaign.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Charlene Lofton Jones for her contributions to St. Louis Public Schools and wish her continued success at Harris-Stowe State University 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 December, 2008 by:

Honorable Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28th Ward
Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen

Adopted this the 16th day of December, 2008 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen