

RESOLUTION NUMBER 279
JOHN BERENDZEN, AIA

WHEREAS, The American Institute of Architects celebrates its Sesquicentennial Anniversary in 2007 and charges its members to commit themselves to a meaningful legacy project in their community in celebration of this year; and

WHEREAS, 2007 AIA St. Louis President John Berendzen approached the Sesquicentennial legacy with gusto and viewed the anniversary as a grand opportunity for AIA St. Louis members to impact the greater St. Louis community by undertaking a project in The Historic Ville neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of John Berendzen, The AIA St. Louis Chapter selected The Ville Open Air Market legacy project, a project that would inspire the Chapter to collaborate with The Ville neighborhood leadership, City of St. Louis elected officials, City of St. Louis personnel, Washington University School of Architecture, Washington University School of Business, St. Louis Produce Row, St. Louis Public Schools, and The Ville Market Place Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, The Ville Market Place project, under the leadership of John Berendzen, has challenged the Chapter to grow and stretch its good works and influence, and yet remain humbled by their commitment to better our City in the Ville neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, John Berendzen has displayed outstanding commitment to the St. Louis Chapter of The American Institute of Architects, The Institute, community collaboration, and to the City of St. Louis.

***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 congratulate John Berendzen, AIA for his continuing efforts to improve the quality of life for the residents of this City. We further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and prepare a commemorative copy for presentation to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.**

**Introduced on the 7th day of December, 2007 by:
Honorable Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28th Ward
Adopted this the 7th day of December, 2007 as attested by:**

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

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

