

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 282**

Duff's

**WHEREAS**, the CWEA Polk Award recognizes the contributions of an individual(s) that have consistently contributed leadership by example and contributions to the neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2009 Polk Award is given to Karen Duffy and Tim Kirby for their positive impact in the CWE since 1972; and

**WHEREAS**, Duff's is a neighborhood restaurant which started in a changing neighborhood in the 70's, has served four generations of customers and was one of only five restaurants that noted author and critic, Joe Pollack believes led to a renaissance of St. Louis cuisine; and

**WHEREAS**, Duff's is home to many long-term, dedicated employees, and has provided opportunities for many students & others who supported themselves through college before going on to successful professional careers; and

**WHEREAS**, Duff's has hosted numerous events to benefit worthy organizations and individuals, such as the Women's Safehouse, Prison Arts, Circus Flora, many local elected officials, and have held poetry readings such as the 33 year old River Styx Series; and many neighborhood meetings as well; and

**WHEREAS**, Tim has developed one of St. Louis' premier wine lists, Chef Jim Voss supports local farmers and Karen tirelessly strives to keep the employees schedules in sync with their personal lives and continues to work for health and dental care for full-time employees

**WHEREAS**, Karen Duffy and Tim Kirby have consistently contributed to boards, committees, the CWEA, events and individuals to further a variety of causes that directly benefit the CWE neighborhood; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that we wish to recognize Karen Duffy and Tim Kirby on being awarded the 2009 Central West End Polk Award, and we wish them many more years of success; and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of this proceeding and to prepare a commemorative copy for presentation to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced on the 16th day of January, 2009 by:

**Honorable Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28th Ward**

Adopted this the 16th day of January, 2009 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