

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 305**

**Carrie Ella Brown**

**WHEREAS**, we pause in our deliberations to recognize the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Mrs. Carrie Ella Brown; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Brown was born February 2, 1921 in Coahoma, Mississippi. She is a very active retired career nurse who has been involved in making life better for many throughout the local community and beyond for many years. Mrs. Brown has blazed numerous trails on various frontiers for more than eight decades. As an avid activist for the good of all, through her dedicated affiliation with the Congregations Allied for Community Improvement (CACI) Organization, she has frequently lobbied in Jefferson City with success regarding civic issues. Because of her work with Metropolitan Congregations United (MCU), the umbrella organization for CACI, Mrs. Brown's collaborative efforts resulted in MODOT hiring 4000 African Americans with the goal of improving race relations; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Brown raised four children: Claude Brown, Sr., Willie Lee Brown, Sandra Shakoor and Rashad Shabazz; and

**WHEREAS**, she has also served as chairperson of her block unit for 12 years and received approval for improved lighting for the residents in four city blocks at no cost to them. She has worked very closely with the Public Relations Department of the Metropolitan Police Board at 8th District to advance leadership training for faith-based organizations. Other lobbying initiatives resulted in obtaining upgraded science equipment and classroom supplies for St. Louis Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, she has spearheaded the first-time voter registration drive and served as Poll Manager of the Board of Elections Committee for eight years. On the work related professional landscape, Mrs. Brown's leadership and affiliation with St. Louis Children's Hospital has also touched numerous other lives in a positive way, through counseling unwed teenage mothers and providing home care for severely burned patients; and

**WHEREAS**, Parish Ministry did not get short changed because of her full schedule. While serving on the Parish Council at the former Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, she was responsible for initiating a Parish Nurse Program and exceeded the parish goal for the Archdiocesan Stewardship Campaign in the early 1990's; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Brown has received numerous awards of recognition for civic service. She was one of the recipients of the Ageless-Remarkable St. Louisans' Award given by the St. Andrews Charitable Foundation in 2008. She is a graduate of Washington University School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics Medical Research, Class of 1976.

**WHEREAS**, she is currently active in parish life at St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist Parish, and a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Peter Claver. She is always willing to give a helping hand wherever she is needed.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to congratulate and recognize the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Mrs. Carrie Ella Brown and we direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to further 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 28th day of January, 2011 by:

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

Honorable Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

Adopted this the 28th day of January, 2011 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