

**Resolution No. 333**  
**William "Bill" Dotson**

**Whereas**, William "Bill" Dotson has been employed with the City of St. Louis Department of Health for the past 20 years; and

**Whereas**, he began his career in Communicable Disease as a Public Educator in the AIDS Prevention Program/ Community Outreach Risk Reduction/CORR. In 1992, a job study was conducted and his position changed to Program Manager I over Communicable Disease/CORR and because of his talent and expertise his position was re-classified as Program Manager II; and

**Whereas**, in 1997 he was promoted to Health Services Manager I over Communicable Disease/CORR. In 1999 Bill moved into a newly created section, Center for Health of Specific Populations, in 2002 the section changed to Family Community and School Health. In 2003 he received a provisional appointment as Health Services Manager II for Family, Community School Health, in 2006 he served as A Public Health Educator and in 2007 he was promoted to Health Services Manager I under a restructured Bureau; and

**Whereas**, for the past two years Bill has worked diligently on improving the birth outcomes in the 27th Ward. His attention to this area has garnered the support of 12 organizations. Under his leadership, the OB-GYN screening services within the 27<sup>th</sup> Ward has tripled in attendance which has resulted in additional examination rooms being established. The increase in the outreach to potential teen mothers which has resulted in increased cases of Healthy Start participants; and

**Whereas**, this partnership has resulted in the development of a strategic plan which is designed to sustain this initiative through 2013. With this surge of increased awareness and participation, three grant proposals have been submitted. If funded, these dollars will expand opportunities to go into other wards and zip codes; and

**Whereas**, Bill's efforts by far are a clear indicator of his ability develop a comprehensive strategy which delivers best practices and measurable outcomes for healthy birth outcomes. William "Bill" Dotson is an unsung hero.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that we pause in our deliberations to recognize William "Bill" Dotson for his many years of service and commitment to the citizens of St. Louis and 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 20th day of April, 2009 by

**Honorable Gregory J. Carter, Alderman 27<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Adopted this the 20th day of April, 2009 as attested:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen