

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 385**  
**Martha Jane West**

**Whereas**, after many years, Lane Tabernacle Church has taken time out to honor two of their most outstanding members who both love God and Church, Martha Jane West and Lois Jean Turner; and

**Whereas**, Martha has worked for civil rights and political rights and all other community projects. Martha has been a faithful and contributing member for Lane Tabernacle for a great number of years; and

**Whereas**, Martha Jane West spends her retirement time creating an awareness of what is happening in her immediate neighborhood and the First Ward; and

**Whereas**, she was an elected delegate to the DNC in Atlanta, GA in 1988 representing Jesse Jackson. Subsequently, she was elected two other times for Clinton and Kerry; and

**Whereas**, Martha learned that all politics is local. Therefore, she attends aldermanic meetings, police district meetings, neighborhood block meeting and speaks with her state representative, aldermanic representative and committee persons; and

**Whereas**, she believes in holding politicians' feet to the fire, making them accountable for their actions and encourages her neighbors to attend meetings; and

**Whereas**, Lane Tabernacle Church finds it is fitting and their duty to honor these "working two" for outstanding community service. It has been said of Martha and Lois that they are "what man who knoweth no applause." When anything happens in the City that is not "kosher," you will find the two on the scene.

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Martha Jane West for her dedication and commitment and direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of the resolution over the permanent rolls of this Board and to prepare a fitting copy of this resolution to be presented to the honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by its sponsor.

Introduced on the 14th day of April, 2009 by:

**Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18th Ward**

Adopted this the 14th 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