

RESOLUTION NUMBER 385

Mr. Ron Smith

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that Mr. Ron Smith will soon be retiring after working 31 years for the City of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith is a graduate of Washington University School of Architecture in 1978; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith started at the Board of Public Service as a Staff Architect in 1978 and was 'laid off' in the huge budget cuts required in 1981 but returned a few months later as a Plan Reviewer in the Building Division; and

WHEREAS, he was appointed Building Commissioner in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith accepted Mayor Slay's appointment to Director of Operations in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith initiated and implemented the "One Stop Shop" for obtaining building permits, this program streamlines and enhances process, and improves relationships with Contractors and Design Professionals. His instructional and technical expertise will be greatly missed; and

WHEREAS, he has taught Architectural Technology course in the evenings at Washington University for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, he is a proud resident of Central West End and 28th Ward for 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith is famous for his "world travels" especially cruise. He has visited 6 of the 7 continents of the world. He will celebrate his retirement by leaving on a 10 day cruise from Monte Carlo traveling to Italy, Greece and Croatia.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the retirement of Mr. Ronald Smith and we appreciate his many many years of dedicated service to the City. Through his career he has been always calm, always professional and always able to 'get the job done' and we wish him well as he shifts gears and explores the world and new endeavors and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to 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 12th day of March, 2010 by:

Honorable Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28th Ward

Adopted this the 12th day of March, 2010 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen