

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 42**  
**Ida Goodwin Woolfolk**

**WHEREAS**, we have been apprised that the annual *Salute to Women in Leadership* will take place on Friday, May 9 and Ida Goodwin Woolfolk will be the recipient of the Volunteerism Award. The luncheon gives recognition to women who excel in their work in a professional, civic, or social capacity in our region; and

**WHEREAS**, Ida Goodwin Woolfolk served the St. Louis Public Schools for 38 ½ years in many positions from teacher and counselor to Assistant to the Superintendent; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Woolfolk is a nationally recognized consultant and speaker in the areas of diversity, stress management and communications. She is also referred to as the “Toastmaster General.” She has served and is presently serving as a consultant to several companies and agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Woolfolk was a 1993 Woman of Achievement Honoree. She has received Outstanding Citizen Awards from the St. Louis Argus and Sentinel Newspapers, Annie Malone Family and Children Service Center, the Federal Government, the Young Democrats and Top Ladies of Distinction; and

**WHEREAS**, she has also been recognized and received awards from: Better Family Life, the St. Louis Aldermanic Black Caucus, the Gwen Giles Award from the Missouri Black Legislative Conference, the Community Action Program (formerly called Human Development Corporations), Outstanding Young Women of America and Who’s Who in the Midwest, as well as, many other awards; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Woolfolk is a Harris-Stowe State University and St. Louis University outstanding alumnus. She is also Board Chairman of Hopewell Health Center; Director of Education for the Churches of God in Christ, Eastern Missouri; Past President, Urban League; Board Chair, Black World History Museum; Member, National Governance Team Links Inc.; a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; the St. Louis Symphony’s Community Outreach Advisory Board, the Paula J. Carter Charitable Foundation; the Alzheimer’s Minority Task Force; and University of Missouri Minority Scholarship Task Force; and

**WHEREAS**, she is very proud of her family which includes her daughter, Sarah Myrtle; son-in-law, Chris Edwards; and two grandsons, 13 year-old Chris and 10 year-old Caleb; of Portsmouth, Virginia.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Ida Goodwin Woolfolk on her selfless dedication to helping others and for her continuous effort to make a difference in the St. Louis community 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 9th day of May, 2008 by:

**Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen**  
**Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderwoman 19<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Adopted this the 9th day of May, 2008 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

