

Resolution Number 66

WHEREAS, we pause in our deliberations to note the untimely passing of Alta Louise Harris on Saturday, May 10, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Alta Harris was born on June 5, 1908, in New Franklin, Missouri the first child of Viola (Hughes) and Alexander Crosby Lewis; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Harris was the wife of the late entrepreneur, Ezra Enoch Harris and the mother of six children; three preceded her in death: Carol Sue Harris, Thraceton Harris, and Gwynneth Martinez; and three survive her: Mrs. Joyce Smith of St. Louis, Shirley Prince of Los Angeles, and Carolyn Richard of St. Louis, and the devoted grandmother to 15 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren, and 3 great great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Harris will be remembered as an enthusiastic and tireless participant in a variety of community activities, including as a lifelong and faithful member of the Samaritan United Methodist Church, founding member of the Horticultural Study Club, member of the St. Louis Junior League, and a dedicated alumnus of Lincoln University in Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Harris will be greatly missed by the friends, organizations and individuals whose lives she greatly enriched.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause to remember the many contributions of Mrs. Alta Louise Harris to the citizens of the City of St. Louis and we join with her many friends in expressing our sorrow at her passing, 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 memorial copy for presentation to the Harris family, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 22nd day of May, 2008 by:
Honorable April Ford Griffin, Alderwoman 5th Ward

Adopted this the 22nd day of May, 2008 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney

Lewis E. Reed