

RESOLUTION NUMBER 235
Bishop Dwight H. McDaniels Jr.

WHEREAS, we pause in our deliberations to recognize the untimely passing of Bishop Dwight H. McDaniels Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Dwight H. McDaniels Jr. passed 3:30 p.m. October 24, 2010 at the age of 88. He was founder and pastor of San Francisco Temple Complex, with a congregation in St. Louis of some 2,000, and presiding prelate of Christian Assembly Fellowship, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Dwight H. McDaniels Jr. was born in Arkansas, the third of 11 children to the late Dwight and Hattie B. McDaniel; and

WHEREAS, Bishop McDaniels and his family moved from Forrest City, Arkansas to St. Louis. Young Dwight was raised in a Christian home where he was trained and taught by a father and mother who were saved and who reared their children by precept and example; and

WHEREAS, Bishop McDaniels attended Sunday school at Kennerly Temple Church of God in Christ, where his father served as assistant superintendent of the Sunday School Department. He was one of the first members of the Junior Choir, under the direction of Sister Vera Boykin; and

WHEREAS, Bishop McDaniels attended Simmons Elementary School, graduated from Sumner High School and was later inducted into the Sumner High School Hall of Fame. After graduation, he secured employment with the U.S. Postal Service in St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, Bishop McDaniels became a faithful member of Kennerly Temple COGIC and studied under the guidance of the late Pastor Frank James Hayden; and

WHEREAS, Bishop McDaniels served as superintendent of the Sunday School Department, then was called to the ministry. He later became assistant pastor of Kennerly Temple COGIC, serving under Pastor Hayden and Elder R.J. Ward; and

WHEREAS, at the age of 27, he accepted Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized. The Lord spoke to his heart one night while he sat drinking beer in a bar. With tears in his eyes, he made his way to Kennerly Temple COGIC, where a revival was being held. When the altar call was made, he went up for prayer and his heart was convicted; and

WHEREAS, Bishop McDaniels met a humble and sanctified young lady name Marie. They were united in holy matrimony. He was a devoted and loving husband and a wonderful father to their son L. C. and to their daughters: Jean, Lois, Patricia, Yvonne and the late Lillian.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause to remember the life of Bishop Dwight H. McDaniels Jr. and we join with his many friends in expressing our sorrow at his 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 McDaniels family, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 29th day of October, 2010 by:

Honorable Gregory J. Carter, Alderman 27th Ward

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President of the Board of Aldermen
Honorable Charles Quincy Troupe, Alderman 1st Ward
Honorable Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2nd Ward
Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3rd Ward
Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4th Ward
Honorable April Ford Griffin, Alderwoman 5th Ward
Honorable Kacie Starr Triplett, Alderwoman 6th Ward
Honorable Jennifer Florida, Alderwoman 15th Ward
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Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman 19th Ward

Honorable Craig Schmid, Alderman 20th Ward
Honorable Antonio D. French, Alderman 21st Ward
Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward
Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman 26th Ward

Adopted this the 29th day of October, 2010 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen