

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 364**

**Dorothy Edwards  
Robbie's Health Bar, Inc.**

**WHEREAS**, we have been apprised that Dorothy Edwards will be receiving an award for outstanding entrepreneurship from Grace Hill and her name will be placed on the Hall of Fame of the Grace Hill Women's Business Center; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Edwards is a native of St. Louis and a graduate of Fontbonne University with a bachelor's degree in business administration. She has participated in several workshops such as "Women Entrepreneur," a small business development designed for women by the Small Business Administration, Scores (Service Corps of Retired Executives) workshops, the National Restaurant Association Convention; the Bar Expo Convention and the Minority Women Networking for Success; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy is a retired certified Research Histology Technician from Monsanto/Pfizer. She was also president, vice president, and news editor of the Missouri Society for Histotechnology and has had a paper published in the Journal of Histotechnology. She learned about the Grace Hill Women's Business Center from an ad in the paper for a workshop. She took the workshop and wanted to get more involved with Grace Hill. "I want to belong where I can help as well as be helped" she said. "I want to be able to encourage young people to travel and network as I have." She worked with Curtis Triggs, a counselor for the Women's Business Center, for a startup loan and is completing her business plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Robbie's Health Bar promotes live jazz entertainment, serving some alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages with a light, healthy appetizer-hors d'oeuvres menu. The establishment will be used for many types of events including fund raisers, charities, jazz concerts, and community-related programs and workshops. "The bar is named after my mother who was an excellent tap dancer" Dorothy said. Dorothy's husband, Ben, is a professional musician and high school music teacher. He is charge of the music for the bar; and

**WHEREAS, Dorothy** believes in giving back to the community. She volunteered as a Reach to Recovery Volunteer/Visitor with the American Cancer Society. Volunteering in the Surgery Center at Barnes Jewish Hospital Siteman Cancer Center was especially rewarding for Dorothy since she herself is a breast cancer survivor. She has two daughters and four grandchildren and loves traveling and decorating her home.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Dorothy Edwards for her outstanding achievement 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 24th day of March, 2009 by:

**Honorable April Ford-Griffin, Alderwoman 5th Ward**

Adopted this the 24th day of March, 2009 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

