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WHEREAS, the St. Louis Metro Sentinel Journal has continued to flourish as a minority owned enterprise in the City of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, the St. Louis Metro Sentinel Journal has remained steadfast in its mission to providing critical information to our community under the outstanding leadership of its Publisher and Editor; Michael C. Williams; and

WHEREAS, the St. Louis Metro Sentinel Journal is sponsoring its annual "Salute to African-American High School Students Awards Luncheon" on Sunday, July 22, 2007 at the Chase Park Plaza Hotel; and

WHEREAS, Kali Strother, Darryl Wells, Jamese Dobbs, Solida Wise, Benetta Ward, Jamie Murkey, Lamont Jones, Jr., Brittany Williams, Leroy Hayes, Jada Bently, Ashley Lewis, Jason Chapel, Anthony Brock II, Nadia LaBostrie, Keamber Vaughn, Marvin McNutt, Jr. Tamika Newton, Kenyatta Rhodes, Dominique Williams, Steven Jones, Gwendolyn Berry, Tiara Stokes, Ashley Westbrook, Devin Hooks, Tiffany Gilyard, Norris Johnson, Alicia Nunley, Anthony Smith, Chelsi Ferguson, Torrence Malone and Danijel Jartalija have all established themselves as outstanding students worthy of recognition; and

WHEREAS, these students have proved that excellence and perseverance are ingredients for success in their scholastic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, all proceeds from this noteworthy event will be used towards scholarships for minority students enrolled at Lincoln and Harris-Stowe State Universities; and

WHEREAS, the St. Louis Metro Sentinel Journal continues to promote, honor and encourage high school students in our community as they move forward into adulthood.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis upon being advised of the "Salute to African-American High School Students Awards Luncheon" sponsored by the St. Louis Metro Sentenel Journal, that we pause in our deliberations to offer our sincere congratulations to all thirty-one recipients of this award as well as to the St. Louis Metro Sentenal Journal for your dedication to these noteworthy high school students and we 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 for the purpose of presentation to our honorees as deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this the 18th day of July, 2007 by: **Honorable April Ford Griffin, 5**th **Ward**

Adopted this the 18th day of July, 2007 as attested: