WHEREAS, Dr. Alice F. Roach has an extensive record of service and achievement in St. Louis Public Schools, having served as principal of Carr Lane Visual & Performing Arts Middle School and in Central Administration, among countless other assignments; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Alice F. Roach is a 2008 recipient of the Metlife Foundation Ambassadors in Education Award, which recognizes school principals in 25 cities throughout the country who demonstrate their commitment to public school and community collaboration above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Roach exemplifies the tenets of the Metlife Foundation Ambassadors in Education Award by building partnerships with community organizations, parents, and guardians; resolving conflicts and promoting safety in Carnahan High School of the Future and in the Dutchtown, Marine Villa, and Mt. Pleasant neighborhoods and Chippewa-Broadway Business District; and by promoting civic engagement and community service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Alice F. Roach has spent hours of her time to support a team of teachers, faculty, students, parents, staff, administrators and community stakeholders who are determined to enrich student learning opportunities and performance; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Alice F. Roach was hand-picked to step into a rather precarious situation at the then Mel Carnahan Middle School to bring about the transition of the school to Mel Carnahan High School of the Future in a way that would be a source of pride to the school's namesake and for the community; and

WHEREAS, the herculean efforts of Dr. Alice F. Roach and her team exude respect for their students and love for education, thereby leading to the metamorphosis of the ill-fated Carnahan Middle School to the tradition of success evident in Mel Carnahan High School of the Future.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and honor Dr. Alice F. Roach for her receipt of the 2008 Metlife Foundation Ambassadors in Education Award. She has helped to foster a spirit of success that brings true honor to the late Governor Mel Carnahan, his family, to the school and to the community in which it is located. We further direct the Clerk of the 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 its sponsors.

Introduced on the 22nd day of May, 2008 by:

Honorable Craig N. Schmid, Alderman 20th Ward
Honorable Kenneth Ortmann, Alderman 9th Ward

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

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David W. Sweeney     Lewis E. Reed
Clerk, Board of Aldermen    President, Board of Aldermen