RESOLUTION NUMBER 68
Norbert Lee “K.O.” Cody

WHEREAS, we have been apprised of the 70th birthday of Mr. Norbert Lee “K.O.” Cody; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cody was born on May 29, 1939. He was the eighth child of 23 children born to Hollivan and Helena Cody. He grew up in the Jeff Vanderlou neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cody was a Golden Glove Fighter who accomplished a career as a Middleweight boxer with 14 wins, 4 losses and 2 ties. He was inducted into the St. Louis Gateway Classic Boxing Hall of Fame in 1996. Mr. Cody was nicknamed K.O. or “Knock Out” Cody from this success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cody was the owner of K.O. Cody Snack Shop, which was a great support to the community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cody has endorsed many mayors, aldermen and state representatives in the St. Louis Community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cody has coached numerous football teams in and out of his community. He managed Gamble Center, a youth center for inner-city children. He is the pioneer of youth support throughout the City of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cody has been blessed to have ten children, 23 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to congratulate Mr. Norbert Lee “K.O.” Cody on the occasion of his 70th Birthday and we wish him continued peace, good health and happiness 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 19th day of June, 2009 by:

Honorable Charles Quincy Troupe, Alderman 1st Ward

Adopted this the 19th day of June, 2009 as attested by:

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