

House Resolution No. 2774

Whereas, on October 1999, a courageous group of committed residents under the leadership of Rita Ford developed a neighborhood organization in the Gravois Park Neighborhood section of the City of St. Louis, bounded by Cherokee (north), Gravois (northeast), Chippewa (south), Jefferson (east), and Grand (west); and

Whereas, the Gravois Park Block Link Neighborhood Association was officially chartered in August 2000; and

Whereas, the Gravois Park Block Link Neighborhood Association works vigorously for the improvement of the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors; and

Whereas, the Gravois Park Block Link Neighborhood Association has its general membership meetings on the second Tuesday of each month and its board meetings on the third Thursday of each month; and

Whereas, the Gravois Park Block Link Neighborhood Association has worked closely with the police, Operation Weed & Seed, Sustainable Neighborhoods, NSO Barb Potts, Alderman Craig Schmid, city departments, and city, state, and national officials to enhance and reinvigorate the Gravois Park Neighborhood; and

Whereas, Gravois Park has had many successes, including closing down nuisance properties; encouraging home repair and redevelopment; advocating for improved city services; neighborhood cleanups; organizing mobile patrols and phone tree communications; trash and alley pilot projects, including roll-out carts replacing dumpsters; acknowledging police, firefighters, and residents with Certificates of Appreciation; and initiating a Court Watch program which has been expanded throughout the City by the Mayor's Office:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in expressing our appreciation for the superb service the Gravois Park Block Link Neighborhood Association has rendered to area residents and in wishing its leaders and members continued success in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Gravois Park Block Link Neighborhood Association.

Offered by _____
Representative Jeanette Mott Oxford
District No. 59

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2774, adopted May 2, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker