

**Resolution Number 83
PrideFest 2013**

WHEREAS, Pride St. Louis is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization “dedicated to increasing the awareness of the general public to the presence of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) individuals in the community in an effort to eliminate prejudice and achieve harmony”; and

WHEREAS, Pride St. Louis and PrideFest, under the leadership of Board President Stacy Stift, serves to unify the community in a spirit of diversity and tolerance; and

WHEREAS, Pride St. Louis has, for over thirty years, organized highly successful Pride celebrations for the St. Louis community, including PrideFest, which is held at the end of the month of June each year to commemorate the beginning of the modern LGBT rights movement that followed the Stonewall Riots in 1969; and

WHEREAS, this year’s PrideFest, titled “Celebrate the Past to Awaken the Future” will be hosted at Soldier’s Memorial in Downtown St. Louis on June 29-30, 2013, with the Honorable Alderman Shane Cohn leading the parade as Grand Marshal; and

WHEREAS, the PrideFest celebration attracts in excess of 80,000 attendees from across the St. Louis region and the entire country and will, for the first time, be held in the shadow of the Civil Courts Building, a symbol for justice in the city of St. Louis, which will be lit in the colors of the rainbow flag as a sign of our solidarity with and support for the LGBT community and for equal rights for all.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and thank Pride St. Louis for their dedication to the advancement of the LGBT community in the City of St. Louis. 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 presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 28th day of June, 2013 by:

Honorable Shane Cohn, Alderman 25th Ward

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President	Honorable Jennifer Florida, Alderwoman 15 th Ward
Honorable Sharon Tyus, Alderwoman 1 st Ward	Honorable Donna Baringer, Alderwoman 16 th Ward
Honorable Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2 nd Ward	Honorable Joseph Roddy, Alderman 17 th Ward
Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4 th Ward	Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18 th Ward
Honorable Tammika Hubbard, Alderwoman 5 th Ward	Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman 19 th Ward
Honorable Christine Ingrassia, Alderwoman 6 th Ward	Honorable Craig Schmid, Alderman 20 th Ward
Honorable Phyllis Young, Alderwoman 7 th Ward	Honorable Antonio D. French, Alderman 21 st Ward
Honorable Stephen J. Conway, Alderman 8 th Ward	Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22 nd Ward
Honorable Kenneth A. Ortmann, Alderman 9 th Ward	Honorable Joseph Vaccaro, Alderman 23 rd Ward
Honorable Joseph Vollmer, Alderman 10 th Ward	Honorable Scott Ogilvie, Alderman 24 th Ward
Honorable Thomas Villa, Alderman 11 th Ward	Honorable Chris Carter, Alderman 27 th Ward
Honorable Larry Arnowitz, Alderman 12 th Ward	Honorable Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28 th Ward
Honorable Alfred Wessels, Jr., Alderman 13 th Ward	
Honorable Carol Howard, Alderwoman 14 th Ward	

Adopted this the 28th day of June, 2013 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen