

Resolution Number 112
Lee James Sr.

WHEREAS, we have been apprised that on Thursday, August 29, 2013, Lee James Sr. will be recognized by the residents of the Twenty-Second Ward with the presentation of the Good Neighbor Award for a Business; and

WHEREAS, Lee James Sr. started working for a hauling company about 12 years ago. He noticed that there was a high demand for this service. With Lee's knowledge of the community he realized he could offer the public lower prices and still have a lucrative business. Around 11 years ago, he started his own business in hauling and 6 years later he added a furniture component to his business; and

WHEREAS, today, Mr. James is the sole proprietor of Lee's Hauling and Furniture located at 6104 Page Boulevard, St. Louis. He has the ambition and resolve to keep one foot in front of the other; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James is a God fearing man, a husband, a father, and a family man. One of his greatest passions is to support educational opportunities for children. With his past observations on life, Lee believes if you give back to people with disparities the blessings God gives to us, we should turn around and bless those less fortunate; and

WHEREAS, Lee is always willing to give men a chance of employment, where, it may otherwise, be nearly impossible for those same men to have employment opportunities and provide for themselves and family; and

WHEREAS, Lee's work speaks for itself. There are few advertising media outlets or gimmicks used because his business spreads by the referrals of his customers. He has established reoccurring business with many faithful customers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James is determined to make every day count for the community. He hosts a Back to School Event every year. His business provides young boys free haircuts, all children are rewarded with a backpack filled with school supplies, plenty of fun activities for the family, and free food; and

WHEREAS, Lee's objective is to create a profit, generate revenue for the City of St. Louis, and provide as many employment opportunities for residents within the community; and

WHEREAS, Lee is not single minded or selfish; he's interested in networking with surrounding small businesses, community clinics, and all other community awareness programs. Mr. James believes educating our children is very vital in today's world and he wants to ensure that he does his part in uplifting.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the contributions of Lee James Sr. 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 28th day of August, 2013 by:

Honorable Jeffrey L. Boyd, Alderman 22nd Ward

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

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen