

Resolution Number 125
Trifon Panopoulos

WHEREAS, we pause in our deliberations to express our sadness and offer condolences to the family of Trifon Panopoulos, on his untimely passing on September 14, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Trifon Panopoulos came to St. Louis from Greece with his family in 1966 at the age of nine; his father was a waiter at the Chase-Park Plaza Hotel, his mother a seamstress on Washington Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Trifon Panopoulos graduated from Roosevelt High School and went to work for The Best Steak House, across from the Fox Theatre; and

WHEREAS, in 1983 he bought, what came to be known by many as “Mo Bar”, the Missouri Bar & Grille on Tucker Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Trifon kept the bar open everyday, making sure customers who worked on holidays or had no where to go could stop in for a bite to eat or something to drink; he was always helping somebody; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Bar & Grille became a hub for reporters, lawyers, sports-writers, ballplayers, umpires, musicians, family, out-of-town visitors, national entertainers, strangers passing by; and

WHEREAS, Trifon was everyone’s uncle or brother, he was the “Toots Shore of St. Louis; he leaves behind a very large and loving family in the Greek community and all over St. Louis.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that on behalf of the St. Louis community that we pause in our deliberations to remember the kindness and generosity of Trifon Panopolous and we offer our sincere condolences to his family during their time of sorrow. 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 memorial copy to the end that it may be presented to the family of Trifon Panopolous at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 18th day of September, 2013 by:

Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President St. Louis City Board of Aldermen

Adopted this 18th day of September, 2013 as attested by

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen