

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 38 INTRODUCED BY PRESIDENT LEWIS E. REED**
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3 An ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Airports to install change
4 collection containers throughout Lambert-St. Louis International Airport® (“Airport”),
5 which is located in St. Louis County, Missouri, and to perform all operations and
6 functions that are incidental or necessary to such installations. The collections from such
7 change containers to go to the benefit of Women’s Support and Community Services,
8 dba, Safe Connections.

9 **WHEREAS**, the city of St. Louis has an interest in supporting the local
10 community through charitable undertakings; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Women’s Support and Community Services, dba, Safe Connections
12 is one of the oldest and largest organizations working to prevent and end domestic
13 violence and sexual assault, providing counseling for women and teen girls and boys who
14 have been victimized by domestic violence, sexual assault and/or childhood abuse
15 throughout the City of St. Louis, helping survivors reclaim their lives and staffing a 24-
16 hour crisis phone line to connect victims with resources in their time of need; and

17 **WHEREAS**, passive coin donation collections are a time tested and proven
18 model for funding charitable causes and have been in use for several decades by
19 organizations such as the Ronald McDonald House Charities and Coinstar; and

20 **WHEREAS**, a total of 515,262 passengers departed the Airport in the fiscal year
21 of 2013. Additionally, a total of 494,580 passengers arrived at the Airport in the fiscal
22 year of 2013. In sum, a total of 1,009,842 individuals passed through the Airport in the
23 fiscal year of 2013; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the high volume of individuals traveling through the Airport
25 represents a significant opportunity for charitable contribution to Women’s Support and

1 Community Services, dba, Safe Connections by tapping into the generosity of passengers
2 willing to donate spare change at terminal security checkpoints and airport entrances and
3 exits.

4 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS**

5 **SECTION ONE.** The Board of Aldermen hereby authorizes and directs the
6 Director of Airports or his/her designee (the “Airport Director”) to fully implement a
7 program that installs change collection containers throughout the Airport. Specifically, to
8 install spare change collection containers at security checkpoints and at entry and exit
9 points.

10 **SECTION TWO.** Change collection containers should be easily accessible to
11 passengers as they pass through security checkpoints and entry and exit points. Collection
12 containers should also be clearly demarcated with information about Women’s Support
13 and Community Services, dba, Safe Connections and the spare change initiative of the St.
14 Louis Board of Aldermen.

15 **SECTION THREE.** The proceeds from said collections shall be given in full to
16 Women’s Support and Community Services, dba, Safe Connections on a quarterly basis.