

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing Carl L. Chinnery of Lee's Summit, Missouri, on being named the City of Lee's Summit and Lake Lotawana's 2023 Citizen of the Year.

RESOLUTION NO. 21404, September 25, 2023

INTRODUCED BY Donna Peyton, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the City of Lee's Summit, led by Mayor Bill Baird, and the City of Lake Lotawana, led by Mayor Tracy Rasmussen, have jointly recognized and honored Carl L. Chinnery as the distinguished recipient of the 2023 Citizen of the Year award, to be presented on September 23, 2023, at the Truman Heartland Community Foundation Toast to Our Towns gala; and,

WHEREAS, Carl Chinnery's commitment to his private law practice, Chinnery Evans & Nail, founded in 1976, and his focus on estate planning, probate, business law, and real estate, have demonstrated his dedication to professional excellence; and,

WHEREAS, Carl Chinnery's vision and passion for community service led him to provide free legal services to more than 130 nonprofit entities, including churches, athletic organizations, humanitarian groups, and civic and service clubs, thereby uplifting and supporting these vital organizations; and,

WHEREAS, Carl Chinnery's unwavering dedication to the betterment of Lee's Summit is evident through his leadership roles in the Community Foundation of Lee's Summit, Summit Bank of Kansas City, Missouri Yacht Club, and Vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, as well as his influential past presidencies of the Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce, Lee's Summit Economic Development Council, and Lee's Summit R-7 School District; and,

WHEREAS, Carl Chinnery's instrumental involvement in Rotary International, including his service as District Governor of District 6040, exemplifies his commitment to fostering growth, unity, and positive change within our communities; and,

WHEREAS, Carl Chinnery's tireless efforts to eradicate polio, driven by his personal connection to the cause, have led to significant global impact, with over 160 million children immunized during India's National Immunization Day; and,

WHEREAS, Carl Chinnery's dedication to local volunteerism, as seen through his continued involvement with the Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club's Feed Lee's Summit and literacy programs, highlights his belief in the power of collective action to enhance the well-being of those around him; and,

WHEREAS, Mayor Bill Baird aptly describes Carl Chinnery as a paragon of civic responsibility, an accomplished business leader, and a beacon of philanthropic spirit, whose selfless contributions have left an enduring legacy of positive change; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri that the Legislature hereby congratulates Carl L. Chinnery on being named 2023 Citizen of the Year for the Cities of Lee's Summit and Lake Lotawana, Missouri.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bryan O Wensky

County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21404 of September 25, 2023, was duly passed on September 25, 2023 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

9.25.2023
Date

Mary Jo Spino

Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature