

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing Wallace S. Hartsfield, Sr., retired pastor of the Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, on the occasion of his 87th birthday celebration to be held on November 11, 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 19298, October 24, 2016

INTRODUCED BY Alfred Jordan, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Wallace S. Hartsfield, Sr., will celebrate his 87th birthday with a reception at the American Jazz Museum and a formal program at the GEM Theater; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Hartsfield was born in Atlanta, Georgia, and grew up in Jacksonville, Florida; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Hartsfield served pastorates in Pickens, South Carolina, Brunswick, Georgia, Bartow, Florida, Kansas City, Missouri, and Wichita, Kansas; and,

WHEREAS, in 1972, upon the request of the Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, Dr. Hartsfield returned to service in Kansas City, where he served until his retirement in 2007; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Hartsfield holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education from Clark College, and Bachelor and Master of Divinity degrees from Gammon Theological Seminary; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Hartsfield has served as Vice President-at-Large of the National Baptist Convention of America, Inc., President of the General Baptist State Convention of Missouri/Kansas/Nebraska, Past Chairman and current Board Member of the Congress of National Black Churches, Commissioner of Highway and Transportation Commission for the State of Missouri, Executive Board member of the Jazz District Redevelopment Corporation, and on the Municipal Judicial Commission for Jackson County; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Hartsfield is the recipient of numerous honors and awards including being named One of the Top Ministers in America by *Upscale Magazine* of Atlanta, Georgia, the One Hundred Most Influential Award from the Kansas City Globe, and the Minister of the Year Award from the Baptist Ministers Union of Kansas City, and was inducted into the Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center Hall of Fame; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Hartsfield and his wife, the former Matilda Hopkins, are the proud parents of four children, Pamela Faith, Danise Hope, Ruby Love, and Wallace S. Hartsfield, II, and have six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby recognizes Wallace S. Hartsfield, Sr. on the occasion of his 87th birthday and extends best wishes for the future.

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

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Chief Deputy County Counselor


County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 19298 of October 24, 2016, was duly passed on October 24, 2016 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

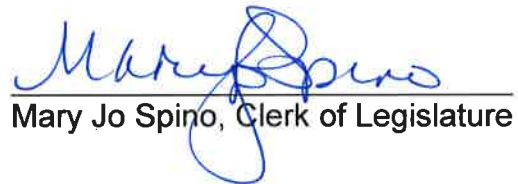
Yeas 8

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 1

10.24.16
Date


Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature