

RESOLUTION NO. 060812

Welcoming the delegation with the Open World Program and saluting this program as a means of improving international relations.

WHEREAS, the International Visitors Council of Greater Kansas City will host participants in the Open World Leadership Center as they visit Kansas City July 22-30, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Open World program enables emerging leaders from Russia and other Eurasian countries to experience American political and civil society in action; and

WHEREAS, typical activities include watching the jury selection process, sitting in on newspaper editorial meetings, and observing political candidates as they campaign; and

WHEREAS, each visit is focused on a particular theme relative to the participants' professional and civic work. Delegates range from judges and mayors to directors of non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, to date, Open World has introduced more than 10,000 people to the American system; and

WHEREAS, Open World was established by Congress in 1999, and is an independent entity with headquarters at the Library of Congress; and

WHEREAS, members of the delegation visiting Kansas City are Volodymyr Viktorovych Alsuf'yev, Anzhela Feodosiyivna Karpinska, Hanna Mykhaylivna Lytvynova, Valeriy Ivanovych Panko, and Iryna Borysivna Chuyan; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council welcome the delegation with the Open World Program and salute this program as a means of improving international relations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof and that copies hereof be presented to each member of the visiting delegation with the best wishes of the Mayor and Council for a successful visit to Kansas City.



Authenticated as Passed

KAY BARNES, Mayor

City Clerk

DATE PASSED JUL 27 2006