RESOLUTION NO. 140483

Celebrating Flag Day and National Flag Week June, 8-14, 2014.

WHEREAS, for more than two centuries, Americans have saluted Old Glory in times of trial and triumph; and

WHEREAS, generations have looked to it as they steeled their resolve and an unbroken chain of men and women in uniform has served under our Flag; and

WHEREAS, when we lay our veterans to rest, many go draped with the stars and stripes upon them, and their families find solace in the folds of honor held tightly to their chest; and

WHEREAS, because of their sacrifice, our Nation is stronger, safer, and will always remain a shining beacon of freedom for the rest of the world. Our flag stitches the ideals for which America was born to the reality of our times; and

WHEREAS, it reminds us that fidelity to our founding principles requires new responses to new challenges and as we prepare to meet the great test of our age, let every American draw inspiration from this symbol of our past, our present and our common dreams; and

WHEREAS, to commemorate the adoption of our flag, the Congress, by joint resolution approved August 3, 1949, as amended (63 Stat. 492), designated June 14th of each year as "Flag Day" and requested that the President issue an annual proclamation calling for its observance and for the display of the flag of United States on all Federal Government buildings. The Congress also requested, by joint resolution approve June 9, 1966, as amended (80 Stat.194), that the President annually issue a proclamation designating the week in which June 14 occurs as "National Flag Week" and call upon citizens of the United States to display the flag during that week; NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby recognize Flag Day and National Flag Week June, 8-14, 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof and that a copy hereof be presented to Dick Seidelman and the Citizens of Kansas City with the thanks of the Mayor and Council as we pay tribute to the banner that weaves us together and waves above us all in Kansas City, Missouri.