RESOLUTION NO. 150388

Recognizing the Essence of Spring Scholarship Awards and honoring the commitment of Friendship Baptist Church to support education in our community.

WHEREAS, the Essence of Spring Scholarship program was established by the late Reverend I.H. Henderson Jr. to honor and recognize academic excellence by students that are also members of the Friendship Baptist congregation; and

WHEREAS, the Essence of Spring Scholarships fund has grown to a total of \$30,000.00 under the leadership of Pastor James A. Terrance; and

WHEREAS, students must meet academic requirements, community engagement requirements, as well as church engagement requirements to be eligible to apply for a scholarship; and

WHEREAS, qualified students must then complete an application and submit an essay for review by the Scholarship review Board; and

WHEREAS, 20 members of the Friendship Baptist Church congregation are High School Seniors graduating in 2015; and

WHEREAS, 13 of those High School Seniors have applied for an Essence of Spring Scholarship as well as 1 High School Senior from outside the congregation; and

WHEREAS, we applaud Friendship Baptist Church for acknowledging the hard work of its Graduating High School Seniors and for supporting their efforts to remain committed to continuing their education; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby recognize the Friendship Baptist Church as they celebrate the Essence of Spring Scholarship Awards May 31, 2015, and honor awardees; 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 Pastor James A. Terrance with the appreciation of the Mayor, Council and citizens of Kansas City for the excellent service being given to the community.

Authenticated as Passed

Sly James, Mayor

Marilyn Sanders, City Clerk

Date Passed