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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, during the last decade, violence within our society has affected families in every walk of life; and

WHEREAS, it is in our nation's best interest to make resources available to change the culture of violence in America; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. issued a call for non-violence in America 50 years ago at the Aug. 28, 1963, March on Washington, and he advocated for peaceful resolution to conflicts and disagreements; and

WHEREAS, Black Women for Positive Change, a national, civic, volunteer organization, is calling for a National Summit on Non-Violence and Day of Non-Violence in collaboration with faith-based leaders, national organizations, elected officials and community leaders on August, 22, 2013; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the people of St. Louis, I am pleased to join with the Black Women for Positive Change organization and other cities across the United States of America to promote a day of non-violence.

Now, therefore, I, Francis G. Slay, Mayor of the City of St. Louis, do hereby proclaim August 22, 2013, as:

**"A CITY-WIDE DAY OF NON-VIOLENCE"
IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**

In witness hereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the City of St. Louis, this 22nd day of August, A.D. 2013.

