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May 27, 1976

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TO: Members of Westminster Place Association

At a special meeting of the members of the Association held at the First Unitarian Church on May 17, 1976, the problem of regulation of parking was thoroughly discussed. Battalion Chief Ben Viscuso of the 5th District of the St. Louis Fire Department was present and expressed the official position of the Department and answered questions from the members.

It was the sense of the meeting that parking should be limited to parallel parking on both sides in view of the Fire Department's requirement that a clear roadway of at least 24 feet be provided for their equipment and in view of the plat of the street showing that parking stalls for 119 vehicles, parallel parked, could be provided for the 102 vehicles of owners customarily parked on the street.

The view was expressed that by mutual cooperation, tolerance and consideration among neighbors parallel parking could be made to work without more than minor inconvenience, and that voluntary compliance with reasonable regulations should be tried.

Accordingly, the Trustees passed at a meeting on May 24, 1976, the attached resolution which is now in effect.

The next regular meeting of the Trustees will be held June 14, 1976, 8 o'clock p.m., at 5071 Westminster Place.

Barbara Cartwright  
President

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, parking of vehicles in the 5000 and 5100 blocks of Westminster Place has not been heretofore regulated by the Westminster Place Association;

WHEREAS, unsafe and haphazard, and obstructive parking has resulted;

WHEREAS, the membership at the annual owners' meeting on December 8, 1975 requested the Trustees to study the problem and provide a solution;

WHEREAS, the Trustees have complied with the request through investigation, discussion, consultation, open meetings and a hearing;

WHEREAS, it was the consensus of the Trustees and the members who attended the hearing on May 17, 1976 that the parking problem could and should be handled by a minimum of regulation and strong reliance on good-neighbor cooperation, tolerance and consideration;

WHEREAS, the Trustees find and hold that the minimum safe width of clear roadway to allow the St. Louis Fire Department vehicles unhindered access to a residential fire is 24 feet;

WHEREAS, the minimum 24 foot free roadway can only be achieved by restricting parking to parallel parking and prohibiting angle and double parking;

WHEREAS, a census of vehicles shows 102 owner vehicles are customarily parked on the street, and a plat of the street shows that 119 twenty-five foot parallel parking stalls can be provided;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that only parallel parking be permitted on Westminster Place from the west line of Kingshighway to the east line of Lake Avenue, that parking stalls be indicated by painted lines on the curb, that parking within 15 feet of fire hydrants be prohibited, and that appropriate signs be posted.

Adopted at a meeting May 24, 1976 by the Trustees of Westminster Place Association.

Barbara Cartwright, President  
Philip Hall, Vice President  
Paul Krueger, Treasurer  
Peri Graham, Secretary  
Francis Kane  
Elbrey Munger  
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