



City of St. Charles  
I L L I N O I S

# Proclamation

## LIEUTENANT COLONEL MARK POWELL

- WHEREAS,** Lieutenant Colonel Mark Powell is the son of a Retired Army Colonel and grew up PCS'ing all over the world to include Germany, Hawaii, Peru and the Republic of Panama. He is a 1986 graduate of the University of Kentucky (BA, Communication). He served both in the enlisted ranks and as a commissioned aviation officer; and
  
- WHEREAS,** He enlisted in the Military Police Corps in 1980, and served for two years in the 165<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company in Fishbache, Germany. Following his enlistment, he attended ROTC at the University of Kentucky, served in a National Guard Armored Cavalry Regiment and was commissioned a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in Aviation. Upon graduation he attended flight school at Ft Rucker, Alabama, air assault school and airborne school at Ft Benning, GA. His first flying assignment was as a platoon leader with 1/7 Cavalry Regiment (Custers Regiment), Combat Aviation Brigade of the First Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, TX. Others positions within the Cavalry include company executive officer and aviation brigade liaison officer to the three maneuver brigades within the First Cavalry Division; and
  
- WHEREAS,** Lieutenant Colonel Powell deployed for Desert Shield/Desert Storm with the 227<sup>th</sup> Aviation Regiment, Combat Aviation Brigade, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division flying over 140 combat hours. During a 4-year tour to Panama, he served as a maintenance test pilot, and maintenance manager of an intermediate aviation maintenance company; and
  
- WHEREAS,** Lieutenant Colonel Powell left active duty in 1995 and entered the Army Reserves in 1998. He was mobilized in 2005 and assigned as Chief, G3 Plans, 85<sup>th</sup> Training Support Division. During his 2-year mobilization, he led the 85th TSD Division Planning Group through the transformation from a Training Support Division to a Regional Support Group. Upon completion of his mobilization, he was selected as the Information Management Officer the 85<sup>th</sup> Support Command; and
  
- WHEREAS,** Lieutenant Colonel Mark Powell is retiring from the 85<sup>th</sup> Support Command where he advised the command on all information technology aspects for over 3100 Soldiers and civilians located across the Western United States; and
  
- WHEREAS,** Lieutenant Colonel Powell and his wife Lori are the proud parents of four children and a dog name Colonel and reside in St Charles, IL.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in recognition of the service to the United States of America in which Lieutenant Colonel Powell of St. Charles has completed, the City Council offers this proclamation of thanks and appreciation for the untiring, unflinching, unflinching devotion to duty which he has given in his commitment to the United States of America and its military branches.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Donald P. DeWitte". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Donald P. DeWitte, Mayor