

Office of the Mayor



City of Saint Louis

# Proclamation



## WHEREAS

the USS Gambier Bay (CVE-73) was a Casablanca class escort carrier of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, the USS Gambier Bay participated valiantly in many operations and engagements, carrying out missions at the Mariana and Palau Islands campaign, Philippines campaign and the Battle off Samar, where she was capsized and sunk on October 25, 1944 at Leyte Bay; and

WHEREAS, the USS Gambier Bay served with great distinction and earned a Presidential Unit Citation and four Battle Stars; and

WHEREAS, the veterans and their families and friends now gather in St. Louis at the annual USS Gambier Bay/VC-10 Association reunion to celebrate, honor and remember those courageous heroes who served our country; and

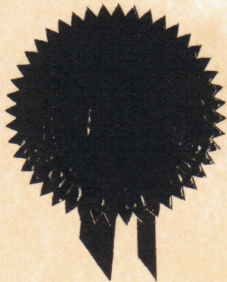
WHEREAS, on behalf of the City of St. Louis, I am honored to recognize the patriotism of all who served on the USS Gambier Bay and extend my best wishes to the members of the USS Gambier Bay/VC-10 Association for a memorable and enjoyable reunion.

Now, therefore, I, Francis G. Slay, Mayor of the City of Saint Louis, do hereby proclaim October 25, 2010, as:

### "USS GAMBIER BAY DAY" IN CITY OF SAINT LOUIS

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the City of Saint Louis, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D. 2010.

Attest



*James L. May*  
Register

*Francis G. Slay*  
Mayor of the City of Saint Louis