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Council Members Honored

Truman Road Corridor Association (TRCA) presented Kansas City Councilwoman Mary Williams-Neal and Councilman Troy Nash with an award at the December 14 general session of the City Council. TRCA is recognizing these representatives for their efforts to bring about the recently completed redevelopment study. Williams-Neal, third district, has been involved in assisting TRCA from the beginning of this project; Nash, third district at-large, was instrumental in securing the funding for the study. Both Council members serve on the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee.

"We appreciate the hard work and dedication of our Council Members," TRCA Vice President Larry Williams said, "and we want to make our appreciation known. Too often they are beleaguered by citizen complaints. Our Association would like to take this opportunity to praise Councilperson Williams-Neal and Councilperson Nash for their positive efforts."

The plaques contain the following phrases: "In sincere appreciation for the sustained support, guidance and advocacy for the redevelopment of Truman Road Corridor provided by Councilperson Mary Williams-Neal and Councilperson Troy Nash."

The urban planning firm of Peckham, Guyton, Albers and Viets (PGAV) recently completed the Truman Road Corridor Redevelopment Study at a cost to the City of \$50,000. Some recommendations included in the plan are development of an industrial park, a retail center anchored by a discount grocery store, development of a Community Improvement District and the use of financial tools, such as Tax Increment Financing (TIF). The Study Area is along Truman Road from Interstate 70 to Interstate 435.

On November 20, the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee recommended a resolution (001549) to



"This has never happened before," said Councilman Troy Nash, pictured center with Councilwoman Mary Williams-Neal and holding the award presented to them by the Truman Road Corridor Association (TRCA) in appreciation for their work in planning the redevelopment of Truman Road and surrounding area. With them are: left, Curtis Urness, Neighborhood Coordinator for Blue Valley, and right, Larry Williams, Vice-president for TRCA.

the full City Council recognizing the completion of the redevelopment study for the Truman Corridor area. The resolution emphasizes the city's interest in helping the surrounding neighborhoods and businesses move towards achieving redevelopment along Truman Road and directs the City Manager to consider the recommendations of the study.