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Statement regarding Jeffery Boyd entering the race for City Treasurer.

In the coming days and months we look forward to talking about how we have improved and transformed the Treasurer's Office since we took office. We sincerely believe the Treasurer's Office has shown that you can both improve government services and invest in all St. Louisans. Reforms implemented by my office have dramatically increased parking revenues while reducing the number of parking tickets written per year by 28% or 80,000. This year, our Office is contributing a record \$1.7 million to the City's General Fund, which represents a 237% increase from our first year in Office. Our office has also made over \$25 million by actively managing city investments.

Economic Development for our office isn't just about investing in parking or financial returns, but also helping all St. Louisans to reach their full potential. We have invested in the next generation of Saint Louisians through financial empowerment for students and their families. Our office has implemented several of the calls to action from the Forward through Ferguson Report by paying a living wage to our staff and will continue to be at the forefront of these progressive movements.

We are proud of improving parking and bringing financial empowerment to St. Louis City government, but there is more work to be done. We want to continue to make parking more efficient and less predatory for St. Louisans. We also know that far too many St. Louisians are not reaching their full potential because they cannot access banks or build wealth. We will work to expand our Office of Financial Empowerment to allow more residents to fulfill their dreams of sending their kids to college, buying homes, or starting small businesses that improve their communities.

We're glad to have him in the race. It's important to note that Mr. Boyd has already lost three citywide races and this will be his fourth.