

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2019-109

*Approving the Honorary Naming of the 2400 and 2500 blocks of Hampton Street between Oak Street and Millwood Avenue "Doris W. Hildebrand Way"*

WHEREAS, Doris White Hildebrand was born and raised in San Antonio, Texas and graduated from Phyllis Wheatley High School. In 1961 she married James L. Hildebrand with whom she had two children, James Eric Hildebrand and Karen Dionne Hildebrand. She and her family relocated to Columbia, South Carolina in 1969; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hildebrand worked in the medical field first with Dr. Eugene Lilliewood then for Dr. Charles E. Stephenson, Sr. until his retirement in 1985; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hildebrand became involved in her community becoming the president of the Waverly Neighborhood Improvement and Protection Association (WNIPA) and was affectionately referred to as the "Mayor of Waverly" because of her involvement and commitment; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hildebrand was involved in the Columbia Council of Neighbors (CCN) where she initiated several projects for her neighborhood such as the revitalization of Historic Waverly, renovation and sale of 2328 Hampton Street. She was worked on the City Dreams project which constructed four new houses along the 1300 block of Heidt Street and brought young professionals into the neighborhood as well as spurred further development in the area; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hildebrand's goal for the Waverly Community was to reinstill pride in its residents and have it designated as an historic area. The area was one of the first neighborhoods to have signs erected at key entrances into the neighborhood, it became officially named the Waverly Protection Area and was recently honored by the MetLife Foundation with the Community-Police Partnership Award; and,

WHEREAS, aside from her neighborhood involvement, Mrs. Hildebrand was also involved in civic and community minded organizations having served as a board member with KOBAN Columbia, United Black Fund and the STARS Community Advisory Board; as a member of the Community Design Center of Columbia, Benedict-Allen Community Development Corporation, Columbia Housing Development Corporation, Historic Columbia Foundation and the City of Columbia Design, Development Review Commission; she also served as a as master trainer with the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program and Vice Chairperson of East Central City Consortium; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hildebrand was heavily involved in her church, Jones Memorial A.M.E. Zion on Barhmamville Road where she served as president of the Sanctuary Choir, Chairperson (Preacher's Steward) of the Board of Stewards, Assistant Preacher's Steward,

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Secretary of Board of Stewards, a Sunday School Teacher, member of the Methodist Women, Life Missionary Member of the Woman's Home and Overseas Missionary Society, and the Christian Service and Social Action Committee; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hildebrand always strived to help others achieve a better life spiritually and socially, her moto being "Do what you can while you can" and this came through in her actions within her community and across the Columbia area; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED this 17th day of December, 2019, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbia hereby approve the honorary naming of the 2400 and 2500 blocks of Hampton Street between Oak Street and Millwood Avenue "Doris W. Hildebrand Way. The design and color of the honorary toppers shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works.

Requested by:

Councilmember McDowell

  
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Mayor


Approved by:

  
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City Manager

Approved as to form:

  
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City Attorney

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

Introduced: 12/17/2019

Final Reading: 12/17/2019