

Commission Meeting

November 7, 2023

Approve honorary name designation of Bishop C.M. Bailey Way to a portion of Wrightsboro Rd

Department: Information Technology

Presenter: Evelyn Chanti, Information Technology GIS Manager

Caption: Motion to approve assigning the honorary name designation of **Bishop C.M.**

Bailey Way to a portion of Wrightsboro Road. (Approved by Public Safety

Committee October 31, 2023)

Background: Garnett Johnson initiated a request for an honorary road name designation for

a portion of Wrightsboro Rd, between Twelfth Street and Augusta Ave, to

honor Bishop C.M. Bailey.

Analysis: The late Bishop C.M. Bailey and the City of Augusta have been synonymous

for much of his 56-year tenure in the ministry. His first pastoral assignment, as then-Elder Bailey, was at East Boundary Mission here in Augusta. Then, as then-Apostle Bailey, he mastered local ministry throughout a nearly twodecade tenure as pastor of the Augusta Motherhouse congregation, located at 1269 Wrightsboro Road. As the pastor of the Augusta Motherhouse, the then-Apostle Bailey had supervisory responsibility over all 17 United House of Prayer congregations in the State of Georgia as well as seven in Florida, one in Alabama, one in Mississippi, one in Tennessee, one in Arkansas, and one in Louisiana. During this time, then-Apostle Bailey was also the head judge of the Church's highest ecclesiastical body and the General Council. The then-Apostle C. M. Bailey—while maintaining his pastoral duties—also shepherded The United House of Prayer through the transition after the death of the late Bishop Dr. S. C. Madison. When the Church's General Assembly met, in 2008, then-Senior Minister Bailey ascended the Bishopric of the Church. Bishop Bailey's philanthropic efforts have no match. His example, alone, is worth emulating. He led the McCollough Scholarship College Fund and the former First Lady Madison Scholastic Program, both inspiring academic achievement; and he was the largest contributor to both. A champion for voting, he was also the executive director of the Organization's national McCollough Voters League; and maintained the McCollough Townhouses in Augusta; but then to add his signature and style to the city, the Bailey Place Augusta a complex of homes and apartments in the

Bethlehem neighborhood. Living status: deceased.

Financial Impact: One road sign is to be placed at the intersection of Wrightsboro Road and

Twelfth Street and one at the intersection of Wrightsboro Road and Augusta

Ave.

Alternatives: N/A

Recommendation: Approve assigning the honorary designation of Bishop C.M. Bailey to a

portion of Wrightsboro Road.

Funds are available in the following accounts:

N/A

REVIEWED AND

N/A

APPROVED BY: