

**RESOLUTION**

**NO. \_\_\_\_**

A resolution approving an Honorary Designation request submitted by Herman Miles, Retired Deputy Chief of Professional Standards, Columbus Police Department, to rename the Public Safety Building in honor of Former Mayor and Columbus Police Chief William “Jim” Wetherington, Sr.

**WHEREAS**, William “Jim” Wetherington, Sr. served as the Chief of Police for the Columbus Police Department, a Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Corrections, and serving as Mayor of Columbus from 2007 to 2011, dedicating himself to his community and public safety; and,

**WHEREAS**, William “Jim” Wetherington, Sr. had the vision to relocate the Columbus Police Headquarters into an updated facility now known as the Public Safety Building; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Honor held a meeting on March 6, 2025 to ratify the request after Council took action to approve the request on January 28, 2025. At that meeting of the Board of Honor, members voted to approve the request to rename the Public Safety Building in honor of William “Jim” Wetherington, Sr.

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the City Facility and Honorary Street Naming Policy-Section 3: Criteria for Naming City Facilities, “Unless otherwise approved by city council, when a building, facility or public outdoor space undergoes a major renovation or ceases to exist, the name will be honored as a part of the City’s history but will not necessarily be retained.”

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES:**

To rename the Public Safety Building in honor of Former Mayor and Police Chief William “Jim” Wetherington, Sr.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen                    voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Chambers            voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Cogle                   voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Crabb                   voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Davis                   voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Garrett                voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Hickey                 voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Huff                    voting \_\_\_\_\_

Councilor Thomas      voting \_\_\_\_\_  
Councilor Tucker      voting \_\_\_\_\_

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**Lindsey G. McLemore**  
Deputy Clerk of Council

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**B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III**  
Mayor