

Honorary Street Designation Application

Columbus, Georgia

Name of Honoree: Mr. Ed snell Jr.

Circle One: Living Deceased

Requestor: Gail Thompkins

Contact Information: (706)315-8982 Location 8th Street between Illges Road and Rigdon road.

Existing Street Name: 8th Street

Before submitting this application, please read the code sections list below for information regarding the honorary designation guidelines and process as set in the Columbus Code of Ordinances.

COLUMBUS CODE OF ORDINANCES: Chapter 2 – Administration

ARTICLE VII. - BOARD OF HONOR FOR DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS

Sec. 2-81. - Established; purpose.

(a) A board of honor for distinguished citizens is hereby established for the purpose of honoring citizens through a continuing memorial program in Columbus, Georgia, under which public activities, buildings, bridges and other facilities may be named for citizens who distinguish themselves through service to the city.

(b) With respect to the naming of city streets, all proposals to rename an existing street or any segment thereof in honor or memory of any person living or dead, shall be referred to the board of honor for notice, inquiry and deliberation consistent with the manner in which it conducts its other duties pursuant to this article. After inquiry and deliberation, the board shall make a recommendation to the Columbus Council for honorary designation by resolution, official street naming by ordinance, or denial of the request. Provided, however, the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to the naming of new streets pursuant to § 7.8.5 of the Unified Development Ordinance.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, city-owned facilities named in memory of a person pursuant to subsection (a) may be reviewed by the Board of Honor or the Columbus Council after the lapse of a 15-year period from the date of facility naming by the Columbus Council. (Ord. No. 75-92, § 1, 9-30-75; Ord. No. 11-57, § 1, 11-8-11; Ord. No. 12-19, § 1, 4-24-12)

Sec. 2-84. - Rules of proceedings; compensation of members.

The board may make their own rules of proceedings for their organization procedures consistent with the ordinances of Columbus and the State of Georgia. The members of the board shall serve without compensation. (Ord. No. 75-92, § 4, 9-30-75)

Sec. 2-85. - Memorialization criteria.

Memorialization criteria shall be as follows:

- (a) The board shall develop procedures for considering nominations of deceased citizens that have distinguished themselves by outstanding service to the community;

- (b) No memorialization motions will be made without the consent of the immediate family of the honoree and without public notice of the motion being considered by the board of honor. (Ord. No. 75-92, § 5, 9-30-75)

Sec. 2-86. - Consideration, etc., of nominations for memorial designation of public property and activities.

From time to time, this board shall consider, inquire, deliberate and decide upon all nominations for memorial designation of public property and activities, and will make their recommendation to the council within 30 days after their actions. (Ord. No. 75-92, § 6, 9-30-75)

COLUMBUS CODE OF ORDINANCES: Chapter 7 – Project Design Standards

Section 7.8.5. - Street Names.

A. Approval of Street Names.

1. In no case shall the name for a proposed public or private street duplicate existing street names in Columbus, irrespective of the use of a suffix such as: street, avenue, boulevard, road, pike, drive, way, place, court or other derivatives.
2. All street names must be reviewed and approved through the Engineering Department prior to address assignments in order to prevent duplication or confusion with existing streets.
3. Proposed streets obviously in alignment with other existing and named streets shall bear the names of the existing streets.

COLUMBUS CODE OF ORDINANCES: Chapter 18 – Streets and Sidewalks

Sec. 18-54. - [Honorary designating of streets or segments of streets.]

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the Columbus Council shall be authorized to designate by resolution existing streets or segments of existing streets in honor or memory of persons, living or deceased, upon recommendation of the Board of Honor for Distinguished Citizens pursuant to Columbus Code subsection 2-81(b). The board shall recommend an honorary designation by resolution, an official street name change by appropriate ordinance, or denial of the request. An honorary designation by resolution shall not change the numbering of buildings or official street addresses of the street or segment so designated. Upon such honorary designation, the traffic engineer shall be authorized to erect appropriate signage in a color distinguishable from standard street signage. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the naming of new streets pursuant to § 7.8.5 of the Unified Development Ordinance. All costs for such signage shall be paid by the applicant for the honorary designation. (Ord. No. 11-57, § 2, 11-8-11)

Is this request to change the name of an existing street or to erect honorary signage on an existing street?
Please explain and provide the exact wording for requested signage.

Intersection(s): From Illges road To Rigdon Road

From _____ To _____

From _____ To _____

Note: Please include information for all intersections associated with this request. Each intersection will require the placement of signage. Information will be confirmed with the Columbus Consolidated Government Engineering Department.

Criteria for Honorary Designation

Please complete the following questionnaire, which is used in the evaluation of each request for an honorary designation. Use additional paper if required.

1. Historical and/or cultural influence of the Honoree on the City of Columbus:

. Historical and/or cultural influence of the Honoree on the City of Columbus: Mr. Ed Snell Jr. was hired by the Muscogee county School District. While employed, he realized that there was no bus pickup in East Highland, Shtaulga Road and Flat Rock road. There was no pick up also for North Star Drive former named Dawson Drive area because Columbus was divided into city and county. There was no bus route for those areas. He would leave his home earlier enough to pick up the high school students and bring them to Carver high School. Afterwards he would pick up his regular elementary school students route. He did this from the time he was employed until integration that begin school year 1972

2. Provide proof of significant lineage or family ties to the City of Columbus:

Please note the attached letter concerning his retirement and. It shows that he was employed om 1950 until 1978. That is a total of 28 years

3. Establish clear geographical relationship of the street to the Honoree's area of interest:

Establish clear geographical relationship of the street to the Honoree's area of interest: This information can be verified on the attached letter and records at the Muscogee County School District Transportation Department. 8th Street between Illges Road and Buena vista Road only school ava Because of the sacirfice of his time and talents, many students received their education and achieve thier current status. Carver High School's address is 3100 8th Street.

4. Clearly define community or public contribution made by the Honoree:

Because of where they lived e only school available s Kendrick High School which at that time was not integrated.
Kendrick High School and there was no integration. So, the only schools available for the black high school students
were Carver High and Spencer High School.

Signature of Applicant: Gail O Thompson
Date: Aug 26, 2020

Send this completed application to the Deputy Clerk of Council at lgilsson@columbusga.org

For questions, please contact the Clerk of Council's office at (706) 653-4013.

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Date application was received by the Clerk of Council: 10/14/2020

Date application was submitted to the Engineering Department to verify any conflicts with existing streets and the requested honorary street designation: _____

Date response received from the Engineering Department: _____

Any conflicts identified: YES _____ NO _____

If so, give explanation and contact requestor: _____

Total cost associated with request: _____

Date applicant was notified of cost: _____

Applicant agreed to cost: _____

Date listed on Clerk of Council's agenda for the consideration of Council: _____

Motion to submit to the Board of Honor: _____ No Action taken: _____

Date reviewed by the Board of Honor: _____

Official action taken: _____

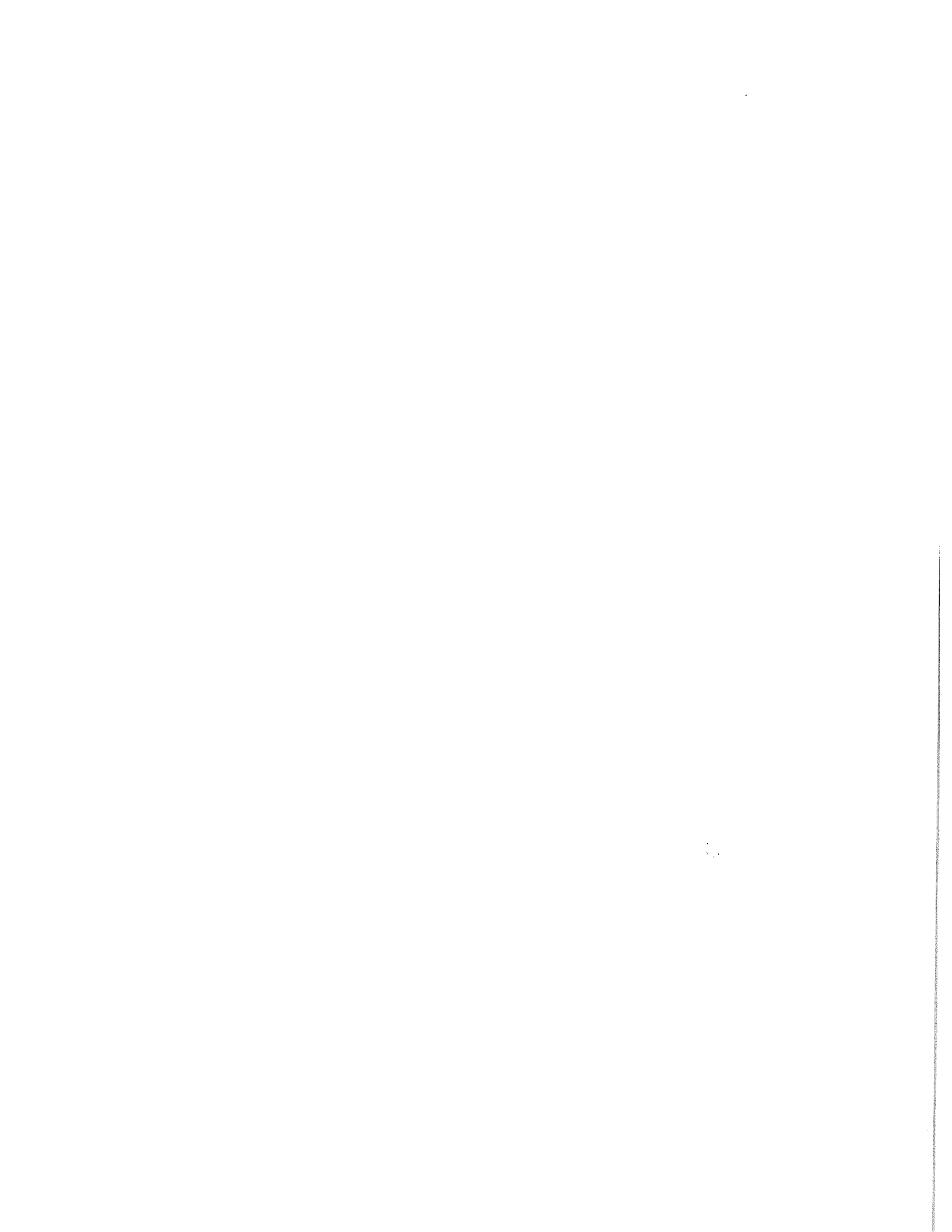
Upon approval from the Board of Honor, date resolution listed for adoption by Council: _____

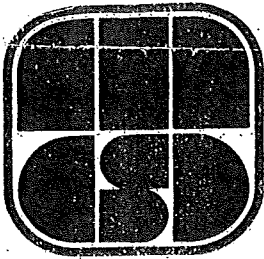
Resolution No. _____

Date executed resolution and application forwarded to Engineering Department: _____

Completion date: _____

Additional Notes: _____





MUSCOGEE COUNTY
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COLUMBUS, GEORGIA
31902 404/324-5661

OFFICE OF
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

November 10, 1978

Mr. Ed Snell
2908 Thomas Street
Columbus, Ga. 31906

Dear Mr. Snell:

Let me take this opportunity to thank you for your many years of service as a school bus driver for the Muscogee County School District. It is my understanding that you retired August, 1978, after having driven a school bus for 28 years.

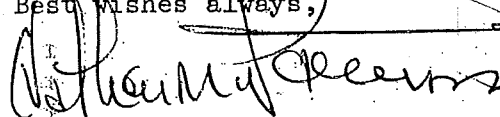
Mr. Wilkes, Director of Transportation and Safety, has complimented you for your outstanding service and the fact that you have transported students within this system in excess of one-half million miles without a serious accident. The number of pupils that you have transported would exceed the number of citizens found in a typical county of Georgia. During these years, very-very few complaints were registered; but many-many compliments were expressed or felt by many students and parents.

It is easy for me to recall the time when you came to the school district as a school bus driver. You were highly recommended by a leading citizen of this community. Those who knew you were willing to put their recommendation on the line making it clear that you were a very fine person, and well qualified to do the job.

I trust that in the days ahead you will have the opportunity to do the many things that you have not had the time to do in the past. It is entirely possible that you will be able to travel and see a lot of places outside of Columbus.

Please feel free to come by the school district office and visit with me at any time. Thank you very much for your cooperation and services. Thank you also for safely transporting thousands of students to and from school in a safe and acceptable manner.

Best wishes always,


Nathan M. Patterson
Assistant Superintendent
for Business Affairs

NMP/aml

cc Mr. Wilkes

