

## City of Newark

City Hall 920 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey 07102

### **Legislation Text**

File #: 21-0033, Version: 1

**Dept/ Agency:** Offices of Municipal Council/City Clerk **Action:** (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing (X) Amending

Type of Service: Ceremonial Street Designation

Honoree: Reverend Carlos Soto

Date(s): January 9, 2021

Official Street Name(s): Intersection of Mount Pleasant Avenue and Oriental Street

**Ceremonial Intersection Name:** Reverend Carlos Soto Way

Sponsor: Council Member, LaMonica R. McIver

Additional Information:

Original Resolution 7R8-c adopted on December 2, 2020.

**WHEREAS,** by Resolution 7R8-c adopted on December 2, 2020, the Municipal Council approved a ceremonial street designation for "Reverend Carlos Soto Way" located at Oriental Street and Third Avenue; and

**WHEREAS,** the Municipal Council wishes to amend the location of the ceremonial street designation to the intersection of Mount Pleasant Avenue and Oriental Street as "Reverend Carlos Soto Way"; and

**WHEREAS,** Ordinance 6PDF-e, adopted on May 20, 2015, authorizes the designation of an intersection, for honorary and ceremonial purposes; and

**WHEREAS,** Reverend Carlos Soto was born on November 3, 1930 in Arenales, Puerto Rico and came to the United States at the age of seventeen (17), moving to the Bronx, New York with his sister; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1961, he met his mentor, the late Reverend Frank Olmeda, and decided to turn his life over to the Lord and answered the call to the ministry; and

WHEREAS, he became the President, Deacon, Treasurer and Secretary Council of the Alpha Y Omega Church in Brooklyn, New York and went on to found seven (7) churches in Newark, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS,** Reverend Carlos Soto lived and served the community of Newark for over fifty (50) years and dedicated his life to ministry, even during the pandemic.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Municipal Council hereby amends the intersection from Oriental Street and Third Avenue and authorizes the honorary and ceremonial renaming of the intersection of Mount Pleasant

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Avenue and Oriental Street as "Reverend Carlos Soto Way".

2. The official name of the said streets shall remain Mount Pleasant Avenue and Oriental Street in its entirety.

### **STATEMENT**

This resolution amends the intersection from Oriental Street and Third Avenue and authorizes the honorary and ceremonial renaming to the intersection of Mount Pleasant Avenue and Oriental Street as "Reverend Carlos Soto Way", for honorary and ceremonial purposes.