



# City of Newark

City Hall  
920 Broad Street  
Newark, New Jersey 07102

## Legislation Text

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**Dept/ Agency:** Offices of Municipal Council/City Clerk

**Action:** ( ) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending

**Type of Service:** Resolution of Support

**Purpose:** Supporting the official renaming of Broad Street in its entirety as Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson Boulevard

**Sponsor(s):** Council of the Whole

**Additional Information:**

Broad Street, from Poinier Street to Oriental Street

**WHEREAS**, in 1970 the late Honorable Kenneth A. Gibson gained national prominence when he became the first African-American elected Mayor of a major northeastern city; and

**WHEREAS**, his rise to power is well chronicled as he led New Jersey's largest City in the aftermath of the devastating Newark "Rebellion" of 1967 and successfully guided the City through America's turbulent years of the 1970's and 80's, featuring racial discord, financial distress and social upheaval; and

**WHEREAS**, the sincere admiration he received from the community for his stewardship during his sixteen (16) years of leadership has endeared him to the residents of Newark as one of its' greatest public servants of all time.

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

1. The Municipal Council does hereby support the official renaming of Broad Street, in its entirety, from Poinier Street to Oriental Street as Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson Boulevard.

### **STATEMENT**

This resolution supports the official renaming of Broad Street in its entirety, from Poinier Street to Oriental Street as Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson Boulevard, sponsored by the Council of the Whole.