



## Legislation Text

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

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

**Type of Service:** Ceremonial Street Designation

**Honoree:** Wilhelmina Holder

**Date(s):** Wednesday, August 16, 2023

**Official Street Name(s):** Intersection of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hayes Street

**Ceremonial Intersection Name:** Wilhelmina Holder Way

**Sponsor:** Council Member, Louise Scott-Rountree

**Additional Information:**

The Ceremonial Street Dedication will be held on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at a time to be determined.

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 6PSF-f, adopted on May 20, 2015, authorizes the designation of an intersection, etc., for honorary and ceremonial purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilhelmina Holder, was the consummate public servant, who helped the children in her neighborhood drive to become creative geniuses, while tapping into the resources of their families, local businesses, and other concerned community members; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilhelmina Holder was raised by parents who modeled compassion and demanded excellence, which made her a natural for the “Community Mom” of the Central Ward. Wilhelmina was the eldest of six (6) children and was educated in the Newark Public School system. She continued her education with certified trainings offered by Harvard, Columbia and Chicago Universities, the College Board and the Council of Great City Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilhelmina Holder’s lifetime commitment to children and families aided her leadership roles in the Newark Public Schools, the Essex County PTA, the Secondary Parent Council, the Special Education Advisory Council, the Vailsburg Parent Coalition for Effective Newark Public Schools, The Alliance for Public Education, and the High School Academic Support Program, which she co-founded with Lyndon Brown.

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

1. The Municipal Council does hereby authorize the honorary and ceremonial renaming of the intersection of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hayes Street as “Wilhelmina Holder Way.”
2. The official name of the said streets shall remain 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hayes Street in their entirety.

**STATEMENT**

This Resolution authorizes the naming of the intersection of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hayes Street as “Wilhelmina Holder Way”, for honorary and ceremonial purposes.