

INTRODUCED: March 25, 2019

AN ORDINANCE No. 2019-083

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept a marker, valued at approximately \$2,700.00, from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, to be installed at the Hull Street Library located at 1400 Hull Street to commemorate the life of Dorothy Height, a Richmond native and nationally recognized civil rights activist.

Patron – Ms. Robertson

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: APR 8 2019 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, be and is hereby authorized to accept a marker, valued at approximately \$2,700.00, from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, to be installed at the Hull Street Library located at 1400 Hull Street to commemorate the life of Dorothy Height, a Richmond native and nationally recognized civil rights activist.

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: APR 8 2019 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____



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TITLE Accept Gift of Marker Honoring Dorothy Height

This is a request for the drafting of an **Ordinance** **Resolution**

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

E. Robertson

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Government Operations

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Patron requests that legislation be drafted for Council's consideration that authorizes acceptance of a gift marker form Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc honoring the late Dorothy Height and authorizing the installation of that marker at the City's Hull Street Library.

BACKGROUND

The late Dorothy Height was born in Richmond on March 12, 1912 and lived here until age five. During her life she was active in anti-lynching campaigns, the Civil Rights Movement and in activities advocating for women's equality.

Ms. Height served as President of the Council of Negro Women, a Civil Rights organization, for 40 years (1957-1947). She is credited with assisting in organizing the 1963 Civil Right March on Washington and organizing events known as "Wednesdays in Mississippi," which served as meetings to encourage dialogue between white and black women. She was very active in the YWCA. She also served as the 10th president of the national Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

During her life, Ms. Height was the recipient of many awards and honors, including the

