City of Richmond

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To designate that portion of East Charity Street located between its intersection with North 1st Street and its intersection with North 2nd Street in honor of Dr. Kenneth E. Dennis, Sr.

WHEREAS, upon information and belief of the Council, the late Dr. Kenneth E. Dennis, Sr., a native of Miami, Florida, graduated from Virginia Union University and subsequently taught there; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kenneth E. Dennis, Sr., was a leader in the religious life of the city of Richmond, as he served as pastor of the Greater Mt. Moriah Baptist Church for nearly 34 years, as a grief counselor and chaplain for the City's Department of Police, as co-host of a television program on Black religious life, and as a writer of the religion page for the Richmond Afro newspaper; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to memorialize the life of Dr. Kenneth E. Dennis, Sr., for his contributions to the religious life of the city of Richmond by designating that portion of East Charity Street located between its intersection with North 1st Street and its intersection with North 2nd Street in his honor; and

WHEREAS, because this designation is honorary only, the provisions of sections 8-7 through 8-10 of the Code of

the City of Richmond (2020), as amended, do not apply to the designation made hereby or to any signs erected pursuant to this ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1.   **Designation of Street Block for Honorary Names.** The portion of East Charity Street located between its intersection with North 1st Street and its intersection with North 2nd Street shall be designated in honor of Dr. Kenneth E. Dennis, Sr., pursuant to this ordinance.

§ 2.   **Effect of Designation.** The designation of the portion of the street made pursuant to this ordinance shall be honorary only, shall not replace the existing name of the street, and shall have no effect on the address of any property with an address on the designated street blocks. The sole effect of designation pursuant to this ordinance shall be to authorize the placement of commemorative signs in accordance with this ordinance memorializing the designation in honor of the named person.

§ 3.   **Administration of Ordinance.** The Department of Public Works shall implement this ordinance by installing, as soon as practicable after the adoption of this ordinance, and maintaining commemorative signs in accordance with this section. The commemorative signs shall be clearly distinct from the street signs used to identify the portion of the street in question such that a reasonable person could not conclude that the commemorative signs reflect the actual name of the street. The commemorative signs (i) shall be affixed to a sign pole installed at each end of the portion of the street designated in section 1 of this ordinance for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of this section or to any existing sign identifying the portion of the street designated in section 1 of this ordinance located at each end of the portion of the street designated in section 1 of this ordinance and (ii) shall bear the name of the person set forth in section 1 of this ordinance.

§ 4.   **Effective Date.** This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.