



## Legislation Text

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To designate that portion of R Street located between its intersection with North 36<sup>th</sup> Street and its intersection with North 38<sup>th</sup> Street in honor of Harold Harris.

WHEREAS, upon information and belief of the Council, Harold Harris, a Virginia Army National Guard veteran, has promoted the health and well-being of adults, youth, and handicapped citizens of the city of Richmond for decades; and

WHEREAS, upon information and belief of the Council, Harold Harris currently serves as the Recreation Director for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club and previously served as the Cultural Enrichment Director for the Rubicon drug and alcohol treatment facility, as an instructor for both handicapped youth and adults for the City's Parks and Recreation department, as a volunteer basketball coach at Maggie L. Walker High School from 1973 to 1977, as an assistant basketball coach for Smithdeal Massey Business College, and as head coach for the Armstrong High School girls basketball team from 1989 to 1992, where he led the team to the quarter finals of the state championship; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to memorialize the life of Harold Harris for his contributions to the civic life of the city of Richmond by designating that portion of R Street located between its intersection with North 36<sup>th</sup> Street and its intersection with North 38<sup>th</sup> 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 R Street located between its

intersection with North 36<sup>th</sup> Street and its intersection with North 38<sup>th</sup> Street shall be designated in honor of Harold Harris 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.