HONORARY STREET SIGN FOR ANNIE MAE PATTERSON ORDINANCE

WHEREAS Annie Mae Patterson has left an indelible mark on the Englewood community spanning seven decades. Her unwavering dedication, hard work, and commitment have positively influenced numerous individuals and the community at large; and

WHEREAS Mrs. Patterson has been a steadfast source of strength and support in Englewood from a young age. Since February 1951, she has been actively involved in various initiatives aimed at enhancing the quality of life for all residents. Her endeavors encompass diverse fields such as education, healthcare, social services, and local development; and

WHEREAS Among her many notable contributions is the welcoming of the homeless into her home, active community engagement, and diligent efforts to maintain the cleanliness and safety of 62nd & Loomis. Regular participation in Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS) meetings allowed her to bring valuable insights back to the neighborhood. Through her tireless efforts, she played a pivotal role in establishing the New Birth Church of God in Christ on 69th and Laflin. Serving as a Deaconess and on the Mother's Board, she spearheaded fundraising efforts that led to the mortgage being paid off within four years. Her exemplary leadership and visionary approach have inspired numerous individuals, showcasing her exceptional ability to unite people towards a common goal; and

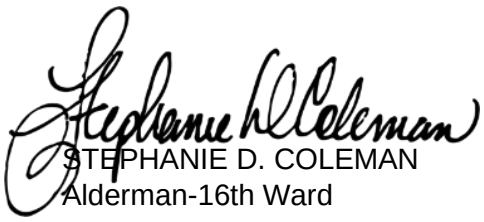
WHEREAS her child, I have personally witnessed the profound impact of her endeavors. Mrs. Patterson's legacy is one of unwavering service, deep dedication, and a genuine love for Englewood. She has set an extraordinary precedent for future generations, illustrating that with resolute determination and a generous spirit, one individual can truly effect significant change; and

WHEREAS This correspondence serves as a tribute to the remarkable life and contributions of Mother Annie Mae Patterson. Her tireless efforts and unwavering commitment have significantly transformed Englewood, and her influence will continue to inspire and uplift the community for generations to come; and

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 2-8-040 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, which allows erection of honorary street name designations, the Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Transportation shall take the necessary action for standardization of S. Loomis from W. 62nd St to W. 63rd St as Honorary “Annie Mae Patterson Lane”.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication.



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