

## HONORARY STREET NAME SIGN APPLICATION

City Hall, Room 205 200 East Wells Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

PLEASE NOTE: A \$100 PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM (Checks should be made payable to "City Treasurer")

1. Applicant information:
Applicant's Name Kathy Gaillard
Organization or Company N/A
Street Address 4195 W. Bradley Rd #215 City/State Hilwaukee, WI zip 53209
Telephone (262) 330-9619 Fax N/A Email grand ppla gmail. com
2. Honorary Street Name Request
Street name requested Patricia O. Patricia O'Flynn Patrillo
Location of proposed designation: (for example, West Main Street from North 12 <sup>th</sup> Street to North 15 <sup>th</sup> Street)
to Vienna Street (behind Hilly Community Journal office), Keefe Stran
3. Required Submittals:
• Refer to Chapter 113-3, Milwaukee Code of Ordinances (attached)
<ul> <li>A typed statement containing no fewer than 500 words describing the significance of the person, place, or event being honored. The statement should indicate why a particular section of street has been requested for the honorary designation.</li> </ul>
4. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:
My application consists of the following items necessary to complete the application. Please check:
\$100 fee (check made payable to "City Treasurer"). Completed Application Form.
Autobiography or statement regarding the person, place, or event being honored.
Signature Kathy Faillain Date April 13, 2023
Printed Name Kathy Gaillard

## PATRICIA O. PATTILLO STREET RENAMING

Patricia O. Pattillo's Milwaukee journey has been rich in seeing new vistas for growth and development having come to Milwaukee in 1957 after the marriage to a Marquette grad, who matriculated throughout Milwaukee schools and was one of a few Black college scholarship recipients at Marquette, solidified Milwaukee as home, from 1959 and forward. Two beautiful sons were born in Milwaukee and each called Milwaukee home.

Dr. Terence N. Thomas attended MPS schools, graduated from Marshall High School and planned to practice at 3612 N. Dr. King Dr. building that has been home to the Milwaukee Community Journal since 1978. His unexpected death due to asthma in 1991, drove the creation of Dr. Terence N. Thomas Memorial Scholarship Fund, that has given over \$ 1 million dollars to quality Milwaukee youngsters pursuing college educations. It has funded doctors, lawyers, pharmacists, nurses, educations, pastors, social workers and the graduates lead in Milwaukee and throughout the country. Their second son, Speech, of Arrested Development, is the first Grammy award winner hip-hop artist from Milwaukee, and his 32-year career created jobs for Milwaukee friends who followed him into the industry. They affirm his impact as many followed him into the industry as tour management, security and stage set up. He continues today, with his wife Yolanda, operating Robby's Corn Roast, the Summerfest tradition, having learned the business from his father, Robert Thomas, an entrepreneurial giant, who guided early businesses such as Ebony Cue Billiards, Rich Man, Poor Man and guided youth under Robert Starms of the North Central YMCA, before joining Milwaukee Community Journal as its co-founder, with Patricia.

Patricia worked newspaper development from the ruins of the 1967 Milwaukee riots that engulfed the central city. Walking door to door, speaking with businessmen and women devastated from the riots, she created the Soul City Shopper. Editorials designed to force insurance companies to pay for the damages the business policies were designed to insure distracted the Master degree pursuer as she took a leave of absence from teaching and her dreams of being the first female MPS superintendent were enmeshed with revitalizing the economic vibrancy Black businesses were creating along 3rd Street with pioneers such as Fowlkes Furniture and Lena's Big Value stores, to the west at 4th and North Avenue and on Teutonia Avenue, their own Ebony Cue Billiards, and LeRoy's Jewelers and Colortronic TV and Fairbanks Cooper's TV Repair, with Jessie Reed, the first Black Butcher cutting meats for the A&P Stores, and along with the Law Office of the late Judge Clarence Parrish. Black businesses were thriving and the economic relevance promoted by giants Jesse Jackson was evident in businesses such as Malone's Fine Sausage and Speed Queen Bar-B Que. Milwaukee is only now reaching that level of import in channeling dollars back into the community. Patricia O'Flynn Thomas was there...quietly and deliberately telling those stories.

In 1982, as the Milwaukee Community Journal, Patricia's third attempt at economic security through newspaper publishing, she was invited to consider running for office in the National Newspaper Publishers Association, the Black Press of America. She won the office of Secretary of NNPA in her first attempt. That led to intense involvement in the day to day workings of the

National Association and annually Patricia mounted the electoral stairs leading ultimately to Second Vice President in 1985. When the First Vice President resigned, she was elevated to First Vice President and a run for President of the organization was imminent.

It was the first time a female had sought that office, however, she had proven herself worthy of consideration as she spent three days weekly for over a year, recruiting advertising for the Member publishers from national companies all over the country. The field was heavy with candidates, all male, but in 1987, she, with the help of fellow members, men and women, she was victorious. She served on full term and part of the second term, to which she was elected.

Learning the music industry required getting into the belly of the beast and when Dr. Terry passed, it was decided that she would go to Atlanta to secure Speech, while Mr. Thomas kept the newspapers day to day activities. That was a two weeks in Milwaukee, two weeks in Atlanta existence with the help of Bright Boateng our African son, who drove and handled many day to day activities as Patricia juggled both music and MCJ advertising sales...

## **Receipt of Street Naming Fee**

Date:	6/1/23
Received Of:	Kathy Gaillard
Received By:	LME
Check # (If Applicable): Amount Received	Money order 28521977962 \$200.00 (\$100 for application and \$100 for signage)