



OFFICIAL STREET NAME SIGN APPLICATION

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

PLEASE NOTE: A \$100 PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM

1. Applicant information:

Applicant's Name Betty J. Nicholas-Braxton
Organization or Company Mt. Moriah Baptist Church - 2747 N. 4th St 53212
Street Address 2765 N. Grant Blvd ~~2747 N. 4th St~~ City/State Milwaukee WI Zip 53212
Telephone 414-873-5371 Fax _____ Email pceofmd@sbcglobal.net

2. Official Street Name Request

Street name requested West Rev. Thornhill Lane from N. 3rd St. to N. 5th St.

Location of proposed designation: (for example, West Main Street from North 12th Street to North 15th Street)

3. Required Submittals:

- Refer to Chapter 113-3, Milwaukee Code of Ordinances (a copy of which is attached to this application)
- 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 the official street name has been requested to be changed.
- The City will conduct a post card survey to be sent to all property owners and to each address along the street. The cost of this postcard survey, which is approximately \$1.50 per property surveyed, may be required to be paid by the applicant prior to its being sent. A street renaming proposal shall not be given further consideration by the City unless the results of the post card survey indicates that at least 51% of all owners/residents along the street support the proposal. The applicant will be notified of the results of the post card survey to determine whether the request has enough support to continue through the process.

4. City Review and Approval Process:

Upon submission of this application, please allow six to eight weeks for City staff to review your request. Upon completion of the City's review and the favorable response from the post card survey of at least 51% of those polled; this request will be scheduled before the Street Naming Committee. All owners/residents along this street affected by the proposed official street name change will be notified of the meeting. The committee will then make its recommendation to the Public Works Committee (PW). Prior to its being scheduled before the PW Committee, the applicant must pay the city the cost to fabricate and install the signs. The PW Committee will make its recommendation to the Common Council. The applicant will be notified of the Common Council's action.

5. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:

My application consists of the following items necessary to a 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 considered for an official street name change

Submit your application to the City Clerk, 200 East Wells St, Room 205

Signature Betty J. Nicholas-Braxton Date October 3, 2014

Printed Name Betty J. Nicholas-Braxton

Ms. Betty J. Nicholas-Braxton

2765 N. Gant Blvd.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53210

October 2, 2014

The Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, located at 2747 N. 4th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is requesting an official street name change to honor of our Pastor, Rev. Charles E. Thornhill. The street of interest is W. Christine Lane which runs from N. 3rd Street to N. 5th Street. We are building a Chapel at 418 W. Christine Lane, which is the first phase of our building development plan. The second phase involves razing our church at 2747 N. 4th Street to erect a new edifice. The Chapel will then serve as our Fellowship Hall. For that reason, we would like to honor our Pastor for his vision and devotion to Mt. Moriah Baptist Church and to the Milwaukee and Racine communities by renaming this street, W. Christine Lane to W. Rev. Thornhill Lane.

Pastor Thornhill is an amazing eighty-five years old alert and energetic man. He is humble and quiet on the surface yet strong and assuming when it comes to sharing and teaching the word of God and living according to scriptures. He is revered by his cohorts, not only in the Wisconsin community but nationally, as well. They all understand that he is uncompromising about the word of God.

Our Pastor graduated from Zion Bible College in East Providence, Rhode Island. His Bachelor of Arts Degree as well as his Doctorate of Ministry is from St. Martin's College and Seminary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He received his Doctorate of Divinity Degree from Urban Bible College in Detroit, Michigan. Dr. Thornhill is an instructor at the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education and the Wisconsin General Baptist State Congress of Christian Education. He teaches a Theology class on Monday nights in Milwaukee to Pastors. Additionally, he teaches piano lessons to anyone who has an interest – the young and young at heart.

Rev. Thornhill has been preaching and teaching for over fifty years. He has been the Pastor of Mt. Moriah for twenty years. He was the Assistant Pastor of Mt. Moriah but left Milwaukee in 1971 to become the Pastor of Greater Mt. Eagle Baptist Church, Racine, Wisconsin. He was there for twenty four years. Mt. Moriah called Rev. Thornhill to return as Pastor after the death of the late Rev. Kenneth A. Bowen in 1995.

Charles E. Thornhill is worthy of such an honor also because of his unselfish dedication to the needs of his flock such as visiting the sick and shut-in, bereavement, prison ministry, and his willingness to always open the doors of our church to serve our surrounding community. He served on numerous Boards – The A Center's Board of Directors, Racine County Planning Council, Family Services Board of Racine, Third Vice President of Racine Chapter NAACP, Racine

Clergy Association, Black Congress – Carthage College, Night Chaplain – St. Luke’s Hospital of Racine, President of the Interdenominational Ministers’ Council of Racine and Kenosha and the list goes on.

For us, our Pastor, Rev. Charles E. Thornhill, unanimously deserves this recognition. Please help us recognize such a deserving man. He is the visionary force of Mt. Moriah. He has led us into a new horizon, not only in our spiritual worship and religious education but in our building expansion and the development of our corporation - to ensure that each of us will continue to be enriched so that we can continue to be a beacon of light in the Milwaukee community.

Thank you.

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