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To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Honorary Street Name Request – José A. Olivieri
South 9th Street from West Mineral Street to West Washington Street

Dear Honorable Members:

This letter is in reply to an application dated December 13, 2025 regarding a request for an honorary street name of José A. Olivieri on South 9th Street from West Mineral Street to West Washington Street.

Chapter 113-3 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances provides the guidelines to consider when reviewing honorary street name requests. The guidelines provided in the code have been reviewed and the following comments are offered.

José Olivieri was a Milwaukee resident for most of his life, and much of his time was spent serving his community. José worked for Michael Best, starting in immigration and eventually moving to labor and employment. Alongside his law career, José spent 40 years at the United Community Center (UCC) where he championed their Head Start program, which emphasizes the importance of pre-kindergarten education. He was chairman of the board at the UCC for 20 years, and he served on the boards of many other local institutions including the Greater Milwaukee Foundation, Milwaukee Public Library Foundation, Milwaukee Art Museum, and Milwaukee Urban League. José was dedicated, compassionate, and clearly a pillar of our community.

The request to honor José A. Olivieri with an honorary street name of “José A. Olivieri” includes 16 letters and spaces. The honorary street name will be sized to fit the standard honorary street name sign.

Two (2) blue honorary street signs will be needed. Please refer to the attached map showing where the honorary street name signs will be located. The petitioner may choose to furnish the honorary street signs, but they must be fabricated to established City standards. The City can fabricate the signs at \$50 each. In either case, the City will install the honorary street signs at a cost of \$50 per sign. The petitioner is to deposit \$100 to the City if they furnish the signs or \$200 if the City fabricates and installs the signs. If a sign needs to be replaced in the future, the City is to be notified of the missing or damaged sign and the petitioner is to cover the cost to fabricate and mount the sign as described above. The City’s cost to fabricate and install future signs is subject to change. South 9th Street will remain the official street name so addresses will not change.

Provided that the honorary street name request meets the established design criteria and that the Department of Public Works does not incur any costs as a result of this action, we can support this resolution.

Sincerely,



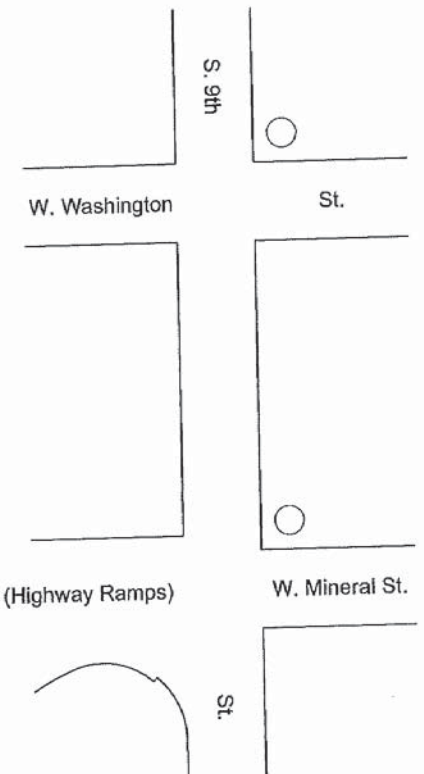
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Attachments



S. 9th St. from W. Mineral St. to W. Washington St.



- Location of street signs where honorary street name of "José A. Olivier" will be mounted.

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Honorary Street Name Request:
José A. Olivieri
S. 9th St. from
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