

**MICHAEL MCGEE, JR.**  
ALDERMAN, 6TH DISTRICT

June 21, 2006

Ronald Leonhardt, City Clerk  
City of Milwaukee  
Common Council/City Clerk's Office  
City Hall, Room 205  
200 East Wells St.  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Request for honorary street name

Dear Mr. Leonhardt;

Pursuant to Section 113-3 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, I am hereby submitting a request for an honorary street name for Dr. James Cameron to be located on West North Avenue from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive to North 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

I am requesting the signs be placed on West North Avenue in honor of Dr. James Cameron, founder of the America's Black Holocaust Museum located at 2233 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. in Milwaukee, WI, which is just south of West North Ave.

I have attached a map showing the exact locations where we would like the honorary signs to be placed, in addition to a biography of Dr. James Cameron.

Please contact me if there is any other information you will need to proceed with the above request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mike McGee".

Alderman Michael McGee, Jr.  
6<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District

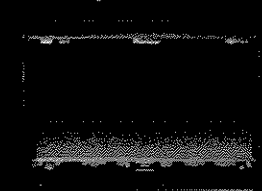


2233 N 4th St  
Milwaukee WI  
53212-3103 US

**Notes:**

W. North Ave, between Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Dr. and N. 7th St.

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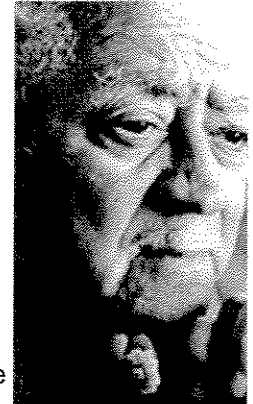
# America's Black Holocaust Museum

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## Founder - Dr. James Cameron

James Cameron is founder of America's Black Holocaust Museum and America's only living survivor of a lynching. In August, 1930 when Cameron was 16 years old, he was falsely accused of participating in the murder of a young white man in Marion, Indiana.



As a result, Cameron witnessed a mob of 15,000 people beat and lynch his two friends. Miraculously, Cameron survived his severe beating and attempted lynching; however, he was immediately sentenced to four years in the state prison for accessory to the murder of Cameron's teenage friends, nor for the beating Cameron

Because of this personal experience, Cameron dedicated his life to pro rights, racial peace, unity and equality. His commitment is evident by h of three NAACP chapters in Indiana during the 1940s, and becoming t president of the NAACP Madison County Branch in Anderson, Indiana

Cameron also served as the Indiana State Director of Civil Liberties frc 1950. In this capacity Cameron reported to then Governor of Indiana , Shricker on violations of the "equal accommodations" laws to end prev mandated segregation.

During his eight-year tenure, Cameron investigated over 25 incidents c infractions and faced many acts of violence and death threats for his w

Repeated threats of violence against his family forced Cameron to relc birth state of Wisconsin in the early 1950s. Cameron continued his wor rights by assisting in protests to end segregated housing in the City of

During the 1960's, Cameron participated in both marches on Washingf with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the second with Dr. King's widow l the Reverend Jesse Jackson.



During the seventies Cameron pu literally hundreds of articles and l detailing civil rights and occurren injustices.

In 1988, Cameron founded Amer Holocaust Museum to document

### Hours

Tuesday-Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm  
Sunday Open to groups of 20 or more (by appointment only)

### Admission

General Admission: \$5  
Seniors: \$4  
Students: \$3  
10% discount for groups of 20 or more

### Location

The Museum is located at 2233 North 4th Street in Milwaukee Wisconsin.

[Click here for a map and driving directions](#)

injustices suffered by people of A  
heritage.

Fifteen years later, the Museum continues to grow in prominence and  
however, of all his prized possessions, Cameron most cherishes a sing  
received on February 3, 1993, 62 years after his conviction. The letter c  
pardon and public apology from the State of Indiana.

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