

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(1)

TO: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 5, 2024

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the City of
Miami Gardens' codesignation of
that portion of Northwest 156th
Street, between Northwest 42nd
Avenue and Northwest 47th
Avenue as "Omega Psi Phi Way"

Resolution No. R-162-24

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor
Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III.


Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☒ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) ____ to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved *Daniella Lino Carr* Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(1)
3-5-24

RESOLUTION NO. R-162-24

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS'
CODESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF NORTHWEST
156TH STREET, BETWEEN NORTHWEST 42ND AVENUE
AND NORTHWEST 47TH AVENUE AS "OMEGA PSI PHI
WAY"

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2024, the City of Miami Gardens (the "City") adopted a resolution codesignating that portion of Northwest 156th Street between Northwest 42nd Avenue and Northwest 47th Avenue as "Omega Psi Phi Way," in honor of the rich history and legacy of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. ("Omega Psi Phi") and its contributions to the community; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the resolution placed on the agenda of the City Council's February 28, 2024 meeting is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, on November 17, 1911, Omega Psi Phi was founded in the science building on the campus of Howard University by three students, Edgar Amos Love, Oscar James Cooper and Frank Coleman, and their faculty adviser, Dr. Ernest Everett Just; and

WHEREAS, Omega Psi Phi is the first international fraternal organization founded on the campus of a historically black college; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, Omega Psi Phi has chartered over 750 undergraduate and graduate chapters; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 1939, 14 young Miami professional men, with ideals and attainments similar to those of the Omega Psi Phi's founders, organized the Sigma Alpha Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, the Sigma Alpha Chapter will celebrate its 85th Chapter Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, through these years, Omega Psi Phi's cardinal principles of manhood, scholarship and perseverance, have been exemplified by the Sigma Alpha Chapter's contributions to the City; and

WHEREAS, the brothers of The Sigma Alpha Chapter have continuously demonstrated their dedication to the community through various programs, scholarships and social action initiatives throughout the City, assisting its residents; and

WHEREAS, The Sigma Alpha Chapter's initiatives include Community Food Distributions & Blood Drives, Mile Cleanups, Keeping it Clean Quarterly Cleanups, Real Men Read, MLK Day of Service, Fred's Closet: Anti-Gun Violence Awareness, Annual Trayvon Martin Peace Walk, Voter Registration Drives, Sickle Cell Awareness Walks, Domestic Violence Awareness Seminars, Human Trafficking Seminars, Miami Gardens Community Health and Resource Fair, COVID-19 Prevention Initiatives, Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaways, and Back to School Drives; and

WHEREAS, that portion of Northwest 156th Street between Northwest 42nd Avenue and Northwest 47th Avenue is a city-maintained road located in the City; and

WHEREAS, the codesignation is located in County Commission District 1; and

WHEREAS, this Board also wishes to celebrate the Sigma Alpha Chapter's 85 years of service and commitment to the community by approving the City's codesignation of that portion of Northwest 156th Street between Northwest 42nd Avenue and Northwest 47th Avenue as "Omega Psi Phi Way",

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Approves the City of Miami Gardens’ codesignation of that portion of Northwest 156th Street between Northwest 42nd Avenue and Northwest 47th Avenue as “Omega Psi Phi Way”.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Gardens, the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the Miami-Dade County Fire Rescue Department, and the City of Miami Gardens Police Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III. It was offered by Commissioner **Oliver G. Gilbert, III** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Kionne L. McGhee** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman	aye		
Anthony Rodríguez, Vice Chairman	aye		
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Kevin Marino Cabrera	aye	Sen. René García	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	absent	Eileen Higgins	absent
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 5th day of March, 2024. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: Basia Pruna
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Dale P. Clarke



City of Miami Gardens

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Meeting: City Council - Feb 28 2024

Department

Mayor and City Council

Sponsored By

Councilman Reggie Leon

Agenda Item Title

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, RENAMING NW 156TH STREET, BETWEEN NW 42ND AVENUE AND NW 47TH AVENUE AS "OMEGA PSI PHI WAY"; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Summary

The Sigma Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc., will be celebrating its 85th Chapter Anniversary. The brothers of The Sigma Alpha Chapter have continuously demonstrated their dedication to the community through various programs, scholarships, and social action initiatives throughout the City of Miami Gardens, assisting its residents. These initiatives include Community Food Distributions & Blood Drives, Mile Cleanups, Keeping it Clean Quarterly Clean-ups, Real Men Read, MLK Day of Service, Fred's Closet: Anti-Gun Violence Awareness, Annual Trayvon Martin Peace Walk, Voter Registrations Drives, Sickle Cell Awareness Initiatives, Black Mental Health Awareness Seminars, Domestic Violence Awareness Walks, Domestic Violence Awareness Seminars, Human Trafficking Seminars, Miami Gardens Community Health and Resource Fair, Covid-19 Prevention Initiatives, Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaways, and Back to School Drives.

Section 34-233 of the City of Miami Gardens Code of Ordinance outlines the process for renaming and codesignating streets. In addition, section 44-233(b)(10) provides the Mayor and members of the City Council may sponsor a Resolution for the renaming or codesignation of a street.

Councilman Leon aims to commemorate the fraternity's cardinal principals of manhood, scholarship and perseverance, as exemplified by the brothers of Sigma Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc's contributions to Miami Gardens. Councilman Leon seeks to honor the fraternity's rich history and legacy by officially recognizing and dedicating NW 156th Street between NW 42nd Avenue and NW 47th Avenue as Omega Psi Phi Way.

In celebration of the Sigma Alpha Chapter's 85 years of service and commitment to the community Councilman Reggie Leon is requesting the support of the above-named item

Fiscal Impact

- The cost of this street renaming is as follows:
- Roadside Sign - \$200
- Lighted Box signs per side (mounted if there is an intersection or traffic light at the end or through the corridor) - \$750

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- Presentation Plate - \$75
- Total- \$1,025

Councilman Leon Is requesting that the total amount of \$1,025 be waived.

Recommended Action

Recommend City Council to approve this resolution.

Attachments

[Resolution Street Renaming Omega Psi Phi Way](#)

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2024____
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20 Martin Peace Walk, Voter Registration Drives, Sickle Cell Awareness Walks, Domestic
21 Violence Awareness Seminars, Human Trafficking Seminars, Miami Gardens
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23 Turkey Giveaways, and Back to School Drives, and

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28 WHEREAS, Councilman Reggie Leon aims to commemorate the fraternity's
29 cardinal principals of manhood, scholarship and perseverance, as exemplified by the
30 Sigma Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc's contributions to Miami Gardens.
31 Councilman Leon seeks to honor the fraternity's rich history and legacy by officially

recognizing and dedicating NW 156th Street between NW 42nd Avenue and 47th Avenue as Omega Psi Phi Way and directing the City Manager to take all steps necessary to change the street signage on NW 156th Street for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, In celebration of the Sigma Alpha Chapter's 85 years of service and commitment to the community Councilman Reggie Leonis requesting the support of the above-named item.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS: The foregoing Whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2: AUTHORIZATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby authorizes the renaming of NW 156th Street, between NW 42nd Avenue and NW 47th Avenue as Omega Psi Phi Way and directing the City Manager to take all steps necessary to change the street signage on NW 156th Street for this purpose.

Section 3: EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

(PASSED, ADOPTED, DEFERED, WITHDRAWN OR FAILED) BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AT ITS REGULAR MEETING ON _____, 2024.

RODNEY HARRIS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MARIO BATAILLE, CITY CLERK

REVIEWED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN REGGIE LEON

Moved by: _____

VOTE: _____

Mayor Rodney Harris	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice Mayor Katrina Wilson	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilman Reggie Leon	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilwoman Shannon Campbell	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilwoman Shannan Ighodaro	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilwoman Linda Julien	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilman Robert Stephens, III	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)