

CITY COUNCIL**The City of Orange Township, New Jersey**DATE April 21, 2020NUMBER 176-2020

TITLE: A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE INTERSECTION OF MOSSWOOD AVENUE AND HEYWOOD AVENUE AS MRS. ANNE JACKSON-JOHNSON PLACE-IN MEMORIAM (Sponsored by Council Member-At-Large Adrienne Wooten, South Ward Council Member Jamie Summers-Johnson and the Orange Municipal Council)

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson was born in Dania Beach Florida, graduated from Hollywood Hills High School and then went on to graduate from the historic Bethune-Cookman University; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson married Don Johnson for over forty years and their union gave birth to two lovely daughters, Terica and Tannea; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson and her husband Don Johnson moved to the City of Orange Township forty years ago to raise their family and educate their girls in the Orange Public School System; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson enjoyed a rewarding career with the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services Human Resources Department; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson was an active, faithful member of the House of Prayer, Church of God in Christ (COGIC) in the City of Orange Township for over 30 years under the leadership of the late Superintendent Clarence C. Williams; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson was proudly celebrated by the members of the House of Prayer as a dynamic and humble servant of God who demonstrated excellence in her calling as a leader; and

WHEREAS, House of Prayer, COGIC has been an integral partner in the City of Orange Township since 1982. They have sponsored many outreach programs such as community meetings, food and toy distributions, senior dinners, health and clothing fairs, vacation bible school, diabetic food programs to name a few. Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson spearheaded many of the events; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson was made sure community meetings held at House of Prayer, COGIC engaged a wide audience in information sharing and discussion. They increased awareness of issues or proposals, and were the starting point in the East Ward for, or an ongoing means of engaging, further public involvement; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson was involved in community activities in Orange and served as a neighborhood advisor to the office of the Mayor and assisted Councilpersons on legislative priorities; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson was a green thumb and was known for her well-manicured lawn and garden; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson's lawn and garden received first prize accolades during the 2019 Orange Garden Tour and thereafter Mrs. Jackson-Johnson was named as the Chairperson of the 2020 Orange Garden Tour; and

WHEREAS, it was proclaimed by Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq. that the City of Orange Township Garden Tour be named Anne Jackson-Johnson Garden Tour 2020 in the City of Orange Township; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson was an active participant of the South Ward community meetings; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson was an active member on the "See Something, Say Something" campaign touring City of Orange Township Public Schools with McGruff Dog; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson loved her family, her community, her church and she loved the Lord; and

WHEREAS, after a life of faithful service to her God, family and community, Mrs. Anne Jackson-Johnson made her transition home to her Lord and Savior on April 1, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Orange Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township that a street sign stating "**MRS. ANNE JACKSON-JOHNSON PLACE-IN MEMORIAM**" be placed above the Mosswood Avenue and Heywood Avenue signs.

Adopted:

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

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Council President