

CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE April 4, 2023

NUMBER 177-2023

TITLE:

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING McCHESNEY STREET BEGINNING AT SCOTLAND ROAD AND ENDING AT VALLEY STREET AS LORRAINE E. HAWTHORNE WAY-IN HONORIAM.

(Sponsored by South Ward Councilmember Jamie Summers-Johnson, Councilmember-At-Large Adrienne Wooten & Councilmember-At-Large Weldon Montague, III)

WHEREAS, Lorraine E. Hawthorne is a trailblazer who has left an indelible mark in the City of Orange Township; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine E. Hawthorne was born and raised in the City of Orange Township, attended Forest Street School, Tremont Avenue School, and Orange High School, which distinguished her one individual from another; and

WHEREAS, following her graduation from Orange High School, Lorraine E. Hawthorne went on to obtain her Associate's Degree in Educational Administration from Essex County Community College; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine E. Hawthorne's cultural and historical contributions to the City of Orange Township are as follows: she served as the first black female truancy officer and supervisor for the Orange Public School District for 36 years. She has the distinction of being the first black woman to integrate the Orange Board of Education in the 1960's; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine E. Hawthorne service to the community included serving on the vestry board at Church of the Epiphany for ten years, as a commissioner for the Orange Housing Authority for six years, and as an active member of the Parent Teacher Association until her retirement. She also was a driving force behind the election of the first black Mayor of Orange, the late Honorable Robert L. Brown, Esq.; and

WHEREAS, in her prime, Lorraine E. Hawthorne enjoyed traveling the world, gardening, partying with friends and spending quality time with her family. She is the mother of two daughters, grandmother of critically acclaimed author-playwright Tash Hawthorne and great-grandmother of Tash's two sons who are the loves of her life. They are all proud products of the Orange Public School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township do designate McChesney street beginning at Scotland Road ending at Valley Street as "LORRAINE E. HAWTHORNE WAY- IN HONORIAM". to recognize and honor Lorraine E. Hawthorne for her many years of service and devotion in the City of Orange Township.

Adopted:

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

Tency A. Eason
Council President

RESOLUTION NO. 177-2023

OFF CONSENT AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – April 4, 2023

MOTION TO POSTPONE: Ross

SECOND: Coley

YEAS: Coley, Montague, Ross & Council President Eason

NAYS: Hilbert, Johnson & Wooten

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENCES: None

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – April 18, 2023 REMAINED POSTPONE

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – May 2, 2023

MOTION TO POSTPONE: Ross

SECOND: Coley

YEAS: Coley, Hilbert, Montague, Ross & Council President Eason

NAYS: Wooten

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENCES: Summers-Johnson

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – May 16, 2023 REMAINED POSTPONE

MOTION TO POSTPONE: Montague, III

SECOND: Eason

YEAS: Montague, III, Summers-Johnson, Wooten & Council President Eason

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENCES: Coley, Hilbert & Ross