

RESOLUTION NO. _____, SERIES 2022

A RESOLUTION HONORING THE WORK OF BILLY AND SUSAN JOHNSON BY DEDICATING THE PORTION OF BRUCE AVENUE FROM 3RD STREET ROAD TO JUSTAN AVENUE TO BE NAMED “BILLY & SUSAN JOHNSON WAY” IN THEIR HONOR.

SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER HOLTON STEWART

WHEREAS, Billy and Susan Johnson owned and operated Johnson’s Quality Childcare on Bruce Avenue, and later a second location on Old Third Street Road, with before- and after-school programs at Saint Nicholas Academy, for over forty-seven years, all to the great benefit of their community’s childcare needs; and

WHEREAS, Billy and Susan tragically lost their own son, Jeremy Johnson, in a car accident in 1995; after that time Billy and Susan redoubled their efforts to serve their community’s childcare needs, working closely with Kenwood Elementary and St. Nicolas Academy to provide after-school programs until the difficulties of the Covid-19 pandemic forced the Johnson’s to make the difficult decision to close their small business; and

WHEREAS, for generations Billy and Susan Johnson provided a place for children in Louisville’s Southend neighborhoods to grow, learn, and be loved; and for the Johnson’s commitment to providing childcare in their community for over forty-seven, giving children a home away from home, this community wishes to show its gratitude and well-wishes to the Johnson’s in their well-deserved retirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: Billy and Susan Johnson are hereby recognized for their exemplary community service with the placement of honorary street signs on Bruce Avenue, from

3rd Street Road to Justan Avenue, designating Bruce Avenue as the honorary “Billy & Susan Johnson Way.”

SECTION II: The Department of Public Works is hereby directed to move forward with the fabrication and installation of the honorary street sign upon the passage of this Resolution and the receipt of funds to cover the expense.

SECTION III: This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval or otherwise becoming law.

Sonya Harward
Metro Council Clerk

David James
President of the Council

Greg Fischer
Mayor

Approval Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Michael J. O’Connell
Jefferson County Attorney

By: _____

R-041-22 Honorary Naming of Bruce Ave jdf 022822