

Ordinance No. 246-2020

Council Member Conwell

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Designating Chester Avenue between 105th Street and 107th Street with a secondary and honorary designation of “Bishop J. Delano Ellis II Way”.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Cleveland want to honor Bishop J. Delano Ellis II Way with a secondary street sign designation of “Bishop J. Delano Ellis II Way” in recognition of his service for the last thirty years as Senior Pastor for the Pentecostal Church of Christ (PCC) in Cleveland; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Ellis has made a gigantic impact on the lives of thousands, if not millions, through his teachings, preaching, writings, and service as chaplain, father, mentor and friend; and

WHEREAS, he has unified the religious community, and used his intellect, influence and positions as Cleveland Police Chaplain and Air Force Chaplain to create bridges between the Cleveland Catholic Diocese and the Pentecostal Churches of Christ; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Ellis has boosted the local Cleveland economy with his annual Joint College of African American Bishops and Pentecostal Churches of Christ Convocation; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Ellis’ impact can be felt by the thousands of Clevelanders and Greater Clevelanders who are connected to PCC by way of membership, former membership, frequent visitor, friend or one-time visitor, and by the number of public officials who have sought his wise counsel and approval, including City of Cleveland mayors, mayoral candidates, judges and judicial candidates, President Barack Obama’s representatives, President William Clinton, and First Lady Hillary Clinton; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of public peace, property, health or safety; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That Chester Avenue between 105th Street and 107th Street is designated with a secondary and honorary designation of “Bishop J. Delano Ellis II Way”.

Section 2. That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

jho 2-24-20

FOR: Councilmember Conwell

