

# Ordinance No. 647-2019

Council Member Zone

## AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Changing the name of “Lawn-Madison Park” located at West 75<sup>th</sup> Street and Madison Avenue to “Miriam Ortiz-Rush Park.”

WHEREAS, the late Miriam Ortiz-Rush was a longtime resident of the Detroit Shoreway neighborhood who grew up there and continually served her community; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of West High School, Mrs. Ortiz-Rush served as a fierce and tireless advocate for the Cleveland Hispanic community, and founded the first Spanish community newspaper, *El Nuevo Dia Publishing Company, Inc.*, in Cleveland in July of 1989, where her focus was on promoting Hispanic small businesses, news and events; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ortiz-Rush served as a longtime trustee and former Board Chair of the Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization, and was involved in many civic and non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, she was the spouse of former City of Cleveland, Department of Community Development Director, the late Daryl Rush, and the proud mother of four wonderful children, Irvin, Angel, Shaun and Leticia; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ortiz-Rush was the longtime personal friend and Personal Bailiff of the late Honorable Judge Raymond Pianka, beginning her service with Cleveland Municipal Housing Court in June of 1998; Miriam also worked for the Cuyahoga Municipal Housing Association (1990-1999), the Cleveland Metropolitan School District as an Instructional Technician (1980-1998), and as a Registered Nurse at Fairview Hospital (1970-1973); and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Cleveland want to honor Miriam Ortiz-Rush in recognition of her exceptional devotion and compassion to her family, her heritage and her community; 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 the name of “Lawn-Madison Park” located at West 75<sup>th</sup> Street and Madison Avenue be changed to “Miriam Ortiz-Rush Park”, and that the Director of Public Works is authorized and directed to take the necessary action to affect said name change and to post the proper signs at the park.

**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 adoption and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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COMMITTEES on Municipal Services and Properties,  
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