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CEREMONIAL STREET NAMING POLICY

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Local Law Ceremonial Street Naming Process

- 1. A person or group sponsors the ceremonial name.
- 2. The person or group proposes the ceremonial name to the local Community Board.
- 3. The Community Board votes on the ceremonial name.
- 4. If the board approves the ceremonial name, it is presented to the City Council Member who represents the area for inclusion into a Council bill.
- 5. It is highly suggested that the Council Member designate a small block stretch for the naming and confirm the location of the placement of the sign with DOT prior to the passage of the
- 6. The naming may only contain 36 characters and spaces so that it can adequately fit on a street sign.
- 7. Once the City Council passes the bill, it is given to the Mayor for his signature.
- 8. DOT will only honor requests for sign installation ceremonies once a local law authorizing the ceremonial name is signed by the Mayor and such requests must be made by the Council Member sponsoring the naming.
- 9. Requests for sign installation ceremonies must be presented to DOT at least three weeks or more in advance and DOT has final approval of this date.
- 10. Ceremonies should not be scheduled until the date has been confirmed by DOT.
- 11. DOT will install ONE street sign at DOT's expense. In no cases will more than one sign be installed regardless of the number of blocks named.
- 12. The sign will be installed at the location designated by the Council Member sponsoring the legislation and/or the family.
- 13. DOT will only place the sign on an existing street light pole or pole with an existing street name signs adhered to it.
- 14. DOT will have final approval of the placement of the sign.

Replica Signs

- DOT will manufacture one replica sign which is a street sign with the ceremonial name on one
- The family and Council Member may purchase additional replica signs for \$32 plus shipping and handling.
- DOT will not ship the additional replica signs to the family until DOT receives full payment for the additional signs.