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AN ORDINANCE

**Re-naming that Portion of Mulford Street
West of Dodge Avenue in James Park,
“Lionel & Irma Carter Drive”**

WHEREAS, Irma and G. Lionel Carter were married for 55 years and resided at their home in Evanston on Cleveland Street. The two became pillars of the community and the City of Evanston Levy Senior Center; and

WHEREAS, Lionel was born in 1918 and raised in Colfax, Illinois, and was drafted into the army during World War II where he served in the 112th Cavalry Regiment assigned to the South Pacific. He then moved to Evanston in 1946; and

WHEREAS, Lionel and Irma met while working at the North Shore National Bank of Chicago, 1733 Howard Street. The two married in 1953 at Evanston’s Orrington Hotel, and returned to the Orrington Hotel to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Lionel and Irma enjoyed taking long walks in Evanston, Lionel marched in Evanston’s Fourth of July Parade as often as possible while wearing his original army cavalry uniform, and Irma pursued her love for gardening; and

WHEREAS, Lionel collected baseball cards from 1933 through the late 1980’s, and was one of the first collectors to write about the hobby. His collecting gained notoriety and was featured in local and national publications. Lionel sold his collection in 2007 and continued writing about the hobby until 2009; and

WHEREAS, Irma and Lionel were instrumental in planning for the new

City of Evanston Levy Senior Center facility along Dodge Avenue, where they continued to be involved in programs and activities with their many friends; and

WHEREAS, Lionel and Irma served on the Levy Center's Advisory Board. Lionel participated in the Men's Club Discussion Group, enjoyed discussing the Chicago Cubs and often stood in line at Wrigley Field to purchase Cubs tickets; and

WHEREAS, Irma served on the Levy Center's Advisory Board and volunteered with the lunch program; and

WHEREAS, Lionel died in 2008 at the age of 90 and Irma died in 2010 at the age of 87; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority of Subsection 7-2-3-(A) of the Evanston City Code of 1979, as amended ("City Code"), the City Council desires to rename that portion of Mulford Street west of Dodge Avenue in James Park, "Lionel and Irma Carter Drive,"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals are hereby found as fact and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2: Pursuant to City Code Subsection 7-2-3-(A), the portion of Mulford Street west of Dodge Avenue in James Park is hereby named Lionel and Irma Carter Drive.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4: If any provision of this Ordinance or application thereof to

any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid application of this Ordinance is severable.

SECTION 5: The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.

Introduced: September 10, 2012

Approved:

Adopted: September 10, 2012

September 12, 2012

Elizabeth B Tisdahl

Elizabeth B. Tisdahl, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Rodney Greene
Rodney Greene, City Clerk

W. Grant Farrar
W. Grant Farrar, Corporation Counsel

