

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 623

Approved December 13, 1974

WHEREAS, Doctor George A. Wiley, late Executive Director of the National Welfare Rights' Organization, lost his life in an unfortunate boating accident with members of his family on the waters of Chesapeake Bay, off the Coast of New Jersey, and

WHEREAS, Doctor Wiley, a native of Bayonne, New Jersey, who was brought up in the City of Providence, attended the University of Rhode Island, where he attained a Bachelor of Science degree, and Doctorate in Philosophy from Cornell University, pursued his Post Doctorate studies at the University of California, in Los Angeles, where he taught, and

WHEREAS, Doctor Wiley, a man of courage and compassion for his less fortunate fellow humans, strove for their comfort and the lifting of their affluence, gaining for that segment of our population the thought that pain and hunger were behind them, and

WHEREAS, as the fourth of six children of the proud parents of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Wiley, themselves steeply involved in improving race relations in this State, Doctor Wiley's organization of the National Welfare Rights' Program dramatically changed the existence of the recipient of welfare, raising it to the level of dignity,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in the desire to perpetuate a fitting Memorial to Doctor George A. Wiley, late Citizen of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, and nationally renown Human Rights leader, His Honor, Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., and the Members of the City Council do hereby recommend to the Department of Planning and Urban Development that the proposed Comstock Urban Renewal Project, so-called, be named "Doctor George A. Wiley Memorial".

IN CITY COUNCIL
DEC 5 1974

READ AND PASSED

PRES.

Vincent Crespi
CLERK

APPROVED

MAYOR

Joseph A. Doorley Jr.
DEC 13 1974

IN CITY COUNCIL
FIRST READING
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON
Urban & Regional CLERK *Naming of Buildings,
Expressways, Bridges,
Streets and other
City Constructions.*

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THE COMMITTEE ON
*Naming of Buildings, Expressways,
Bridges, Streets
and other City Construction*
Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution
Urban & Regional
Nov 22, 1974 *CLERK*

*Councilman Brown,
Councilman Addison and
Councilman Moran*

September 11, 1973

Mrs. Wretha Wiley
c/o Movement of Economic Justice
1609 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20009

Dear Mrs. Wiley:

Councilman Lawrence E. Brown, Councilman Philip F. Addison, Jr., and Councilman Peter C. Moran, joint sponsors of the enclosed Resolution, have directed me to transmit it to you.

This Resolution, being self-explanatory, was introduced into the City Council at its September 6, 1973 Meeting, at which time it was referred to the Committee on Naming of Buildings, Expressways, Bridges, Edifices, and Other City Constructions. That Committee will consider the subject matter, and subject to its favorable recommendation, will be returned to the City Council with recommendation the same be adopted

The several councilmen desire that you be notified of this pending consideration and to be further notified of the developments concerning this matter. They sincerely hope that the same meets with your approval, since it would be a lasting memorial to the late Doctor George A. Wiley.

Very sincerely yours,

Vincent Vespia
City Clerk of Providence

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Enclosure

September 12, 1973

Mr. and Mrs. William Wiley
33 Lenox Avenue
Providence, Rhode Island

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December 16, 1974

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Washington, D. C. 20009

Dear Mr. Wiley:

I submit, herewith, the enclosure being a duly
certified copy of Resolution of the City Council No.
523, approved December 13, 1974.

You may remember, by corresponding with you on
the date of September 11, 1973 and discussing this
matter, it was at that time pending.

Accordingly the enclosure is the culmination of
the original introduction of this Resolution.

Very sincerely yours,

Vincent Vespia,
City Clerk of Providence.

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