

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 43

Approved January 23, 2023

WHEREAS, On September 11, 2022, Bruce E. Owensby unexpectedly passed away at age 60; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Providence, RI, Bruce was the son of Delores (Ferri) and Carl Owensby; and

WHEREAS, He was the proud owner of Wayland Square Shoe Repair since 1993 and had been in the trade for more than three decades; and

WHEREAS, He was a long-standing member of Knights of Columbus and Foster Country Club, bowled weekly at Town Hall Lanes in Johnston, enjoyed annual cross-country trips on his Harley Davidson, and was an avid Patriots football fan; and

WHEREAS, Bruce had an uncanny ability to connect with all walks of life and was able to get anyone to crack a smile; and

WHEREAS, Bruce was a loving and devoted father, brother, and friend. He leaves behind his daughters, Jaclynn Russo and Jordan Owensby, his son-in-laws Michael Russo and Andrew Rosa, his grandchildren Vieira and Owen Russo, and his siblings Steven Owensby, Terri Scarcella, Karla Raguth, and Deborah Kennedy; and

WHEREAS, Bruce E. Owensby has marked Wayland Square with his kindness, work ethic, and dedication. He leaves behind a lasting impression on the multiple lives he impacted in Fox Point and the City of Providence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council does hereby honor the life, work, and legacy of Bruce E. Owensby by establishing a ceremonial designation at the intersection of Wayland Avenue and Seekonk Street as "Bruce E. Owensby Way".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby requests that the Department of Public Works work to manufacture, install, and maintain one or more honorary signs at prominent locations, which shall reflect the "Bruce E. Owensby Way" honorary designation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Mayor of Providence, the Director of DPW, and the Traffic Engineer.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 19 2023
READ AND PASSED


RACHEL W. MILLER, PRESIDENT

CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.


Mayor

Date: 1/23/2023