

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 23

Approved January 22, 2019

WHEREAS, Laura Rodriguez was born in the Dominican Republic, the beloved daughter of Aquino and Miladys (Baez) Ramirez; and

WHEREAS, She moved to Providence two decades ago, when she began to build a legacy of community activism and social justice; and

WHEREAS, She showcased a deep commitment to Providence's civic and political life, particularly in the South Side and Elmwood neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, She was a key operative for many local, municipal and state elected officials and instrumental in leading voter registration drives in the community; and

WHEREAS, It was not uncommon for a mayor, member of Congress, or other elected officials to stop by her Elmwood home; and

WHEREAS, Ultimately, Laura Rodriguez was first and foremost a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother who raised her family with profound love compassion; and

WHEREAS, Laura Rodriguez passed away on December 25, 2018 at the age of 52; and

WHEREAS, She is survived by her husband Moreno Rodriguez and her four children, Pedro Rodríguez, Carol Aguasvivas, Wendy Aguasvivas and Anna Rodríguez; and

WHEREAS, She is also survived by her grandchildren, Edelys, Edward, and Victoria, and her siblings, Armando González, Francia Peguero, Julio Rodríguez, Vilma Baez and Raldy Ramírez; and

WHEREAS, It is a fitting tribute to the life and service of Laura Rodriguez to ceremonially name Sumter Street in her memory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby honor the life of Laura Rodriguez by ceremonially naming Sumter Street, "Laura Rodriguez Way."

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 17 2019

READ AND PASSED

PRES.

CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

Mayor

Date: 1/22/19