

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 73

Approved September 23, 2022

WHEREAS, Manuel Pedroso, owner of Friends Market, has sold Portuguese products for almost 70 years on Brook Street; and

WHEREAS, The Friends Market is much more than just a local storefront, it is a Providence Institution, a symbol of unity, and a place where culture and friendship are celebrated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pedroso has sponsored hundreds of Portuguese families, guiding them through the immigration process, assisting them by arranging jobs and helping them access services upon arrival; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pedroso is considered the godfather of the Portuguese community and a role model in Providence due to his kindness, work ethic, unquestioned integrity, and unwavering commitment to the men and women of the City; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pedroso is the definition of the hard-working, dedicated, and caring personality that adds so much to the character and fabric of the City, and embodies the integral part that immigrants play in the shaping of this great City of Providence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby honor the life, work and legacy of Manuel Pedroso by establishing a ceremonial designation at the intersection of Brook Street and Sheldon Street as "Pedroso Way".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council requests that the Department of Public Works work to manufacture, install, and maintain one or more ceremonial signs at prominent and appropriate locations, which shall reflect the "Pedroso Way" ceremonial designation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to Manuel Pedroso and the Pedroso family.

CITY COUNCIL
FEB 17 2022
READ AND PASSED


JOHN J. IGLIZZI, PRESIDENT

Tina L. Mastrosianni
CLERK
ACTING

I HEREBY APPROVE.



Mayor

Date: 9/23/22

Leo J. Perrotta
Director



Jorge O. Elorza
Mayor

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
"Building Pride in Providence"

MEMORANDUM

TO: TINA MASTROIANI, ACTING CITY CLERK
FROM: NATALE D. URSO, MANAGING ENGINEER TRAFFIC ENGINEERING *NDC*
SUBJECT: CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION CERMONIAL DESIGNATION OF SHELDON ST.
AT BROOK ST. AS PEDROSO WAY
DATE: JANUARY 14, 2021

The Department of Public Works Traffic Engineering Division has reviewed the Resolution to establish a ceremonial designation of Sheldon St. as "Pedroso Way." We researched available data and determined there does not currently exist a ceremonial streetname designation for Sheldon St. We therefore are in support of the ceremonial designation of the street. We will order and install the appropriate streetname signs once the resolution is approved.

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