

RESOLUTION NO. R15-675

A RESOLUTION TO NAME THE FORMER HAMILTON STATE BANK OPERATIONS CENTER IN HONOR OF CARRIE MAE HAMBRICK

WHEREAS, the City of Stockbridge ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia and is charged with being fiscally responsible concerning the use and expenditure of all public funds;

WHEREAS, Carrie Mae Slaughter-Hambrick was born March 8, 1919 in Jonesboro, Georgia to Emma Dixon-Slaughter and Jacob "Jim" Slaughter;

WHEREAS, Carrie Mae Hambrick received her formal education at the Dixon Grove School in Clayton County;

WHEREAS, at an early age she joined the Red Oak United Methodist Church formerly Red Oak ME Church in Stockbridge, GA where she served faithfully as a unit leader;

WHEREAS, here professional career began as a manager of the lunch room program at the former Red Oak School;

WHEREAS, in September 1949, Mrs. Hambrick became the proud proprietor of the Green Front Café located at 112 Second Street in Stockbridge, Georgia;

WHEREAS, when it was built in 1947 by her cousin, Augustus Slaughter, it was one of the first restaurants in the City of Stockbridge;

WHEREAS, from the beginning Mrs. Hambrick used her restaurant as a platform to carry out her mission to serve others; not only was the Green Front Café known throughout Henry County for the best hot dogs, hamburgers and country cooking, but Mrs. Hambrick was also known for her generosity toward others and her willingness to put the needs of her neighbors first;

WHEREAS, Carrie Mae Hambrick was a loving and caring person who was always giving and supporting causes; she collected clothes, shoes and household items to give to needy families in the community, and she often provided food to families and took homemade soup to the sick and shut-in;

WHEREAS, every year Mrs. Hambrick sponsored an indoor Halloween party for neighborhood kids in an effort to provide a safe environment for them;

WHEREAS, one of Mrs. Hambrick's greatest enjoyments was watching neighborhood youth play baseball;

WHEREAS, she organized and sponsored The Stockbridge Pirates baseball team and laid the foundation for a metropolitan adult baseball league in Henry County during the 70's and 80's;

WHEREAS, a petition to name a street in honor of Mrs. Hambrick was unanimously approved by the Stockbridge City Council in January of 2009 and former Stockbridge Mayor Rudy Kelley proclaimed the second Saturday in May each year as "Carrie Mae Hambrick Day" in the City of Stockbridge;

WHEREAS, in 2010 The Henry County Branch of the NAACP named an annual community service award in honor of Carrie Mae Hambrick to recognize "Community Service to Others" by individuals, organizations and businesses;

WHEREAS, the Stockbridge Civic Association, Red Oak UMC, Trinity UMC, the Hambrick family and various other local organizations have worked closely to celebrate Mrs. Hambrick's legacy of community service by coming together every year not only to acknowledge her contributions but to challenge others to follow her example; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stockbridge desires to further honor Mrs. Hambrick by naming a municipal building in her honor;

THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE HEREBY RESOLVES:

SECTION 1. Designation of New Building Name. The City Council hereby designates the former Hamilton State Bank Operations Center as the Carrie Mae Hambrick Cultural Arts and Enrichment Center.

SECTION 2. Public Record. This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City of Stockbridge.

SECTION 3. Authorization of Execution. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

SECTION 4. Attestation. The City Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents which may be necessary to effectuate this ordinance, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Stockbridge as provided in the City Charter.

SO REOLVED this 14th day of December, 2015.

ALPHONSO THOMAS, Mayor Pro Tem

Alphonso Thomas

ATTEST:

Vanessa Holiday
VANESSA HOLIDAY, City Clerk
(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Williams

MICHAEL WILLIAMS, City Attorney