



City of Philadelphia

City Council
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RESOLUTION NO. 260175

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Councilmember Jones

RESOLUTION

Renaming the 700 Block of North 63rd Street “Madaline Dunn Way” in recognition of her lifetime of community leadership and civic engagement in West Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Madaline Dunn, born Madaline Glenn on October 14th, 1933, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Amos and Leslie Glenn, has devoted her life to her family and to the civic life of West Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, In 1954, she married Rodney Lee Dunn, and together they raised two children, Rodney and Rebecca. Madaline is also the proud grandmother of 12 grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, For decades, Mrs. Dunn has been a respected community leader in West Philadelphia who has encouraged civic participation and neighborhood involvement; and

WHEREAS, She has supported candidates and causes she believed would serve her community, including the reelection of District Attorney Larry Krasner in 2021; and

WHEREAS, She worked on the campaigns of the late Lucien Blackwell and later supported Jannie Blackwell, assisting with organizing and voter outreach; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dunn was an avid supporter of Councilmember Curtis Jones Jr.’s 2007 campaign and was a member of his original staff in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dunn also worked alongside leaders including James R. Barber, Charles Bowser, Cecil B. Moore, Herman Rice, and Chaka Fattah during pivotal periods in the City’s civic history; and

WHEREAS, In 1979, she mounted a campaign for the 4th Councilmanic District, challenging then City Council President George Schwartz; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Dunn has consistently urged residents to register to vote, participate in elections, and remain informed about public affairs; and

WHEREAS, She supported the presidential campaigns of Barack Obama and later Joe Biden and Kamala Harris; and

WHEREAS, At 93 years of age, Madaline Dunn continues to represent a lifetime commitment to her neighborhood and to the democratic process; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the 700 Block of North 63rd Street shall be renamed “Madaline Dunn Way,” in recognition of her longstanding service to West Philadelphia.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this Resolution be presented to Madaline Dunn as a mark of the respect and appreciation of the Council of the City of Philadelphia.