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An Ordinance No. _____

- 2023

RENAMING East Mehring Way between Joe Nuxhall Way and Broadway to Barry Larkin Way in the City of Cincinnati, notwithstanding Council Resolution No. 16-2003, any Committee of Names conflicting rules and regulations, or any provision of the Cincinnati Municipal Code that would prohibit the renaming of a street in honor of a living person.

WHEREAS, Barry Larkin was born on April 28, 1964 in Cincinnati, Ohio and attended Archbishop Moeller High School; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, Barry Larkin joined the Cincinnati Reds baseball team, where he played until he retired in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Barry Larkin won nine Silver Slugger awards, three Golden Glove awards, and was named the 1995 National League MVP for his outstanding performances in Major League baseball; and

WHEREAS, Barry Larkin was honored with the 1993 Roberto Clemente Award, which is given to players who best exemplify sportsmanship and community service; and

WHEREAS, Barry Larkin was selected for the Major League All-Star Game twelve times; and

WHEREAS, Barry Larkin was a critical part of the 1990 Reds World Series win; and

WHEREAS, Barry Larkin ended his playing career with 2,340 hits, 198 home runs, 960 runs batted in, 1,329 runs scored, and 379 stolen bases; and

WHEREAS, Barry Larkin was inducted into the Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame in 2008, the National College Baseball Hall of Fame in 2009, and the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Barry Larkin Way is not an existing street name in the City of Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, proposals to rename streets are considered pursuant to Council Resolution No. 16-2003, which calls for proposals to be reviewed by the Committee of Names and the City Planning Commission prior to approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, the Department of City Planning and Engagement held a public comment session on March 2, 2023, whereby some citizens of the community voiced their support for the renaming of East Mehring Way between Joe Nuxhall Way and Broadway to Barry Larkin Way; and

WHEREAS, Council seeks to rename East Mehring Way between Joe Nuxhall Way and Broadway to Barry Larkin Way, notwithstanding the requirements of Council Resolution No. 16-2003, the Committee of Names process and Section III. A. of the Committee of Names Procedures and Criteria, or any provision of the Cincinnati Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that renaming East Mehring Way between Joe Nuxhall Way and Broadway to Barry Larkin Way to be in the best interests of the City and the general public's health, safety, and welfare; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That East Mehring Way between Joe Nuxhall Way and Broadway depicted on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein shall be renamed Barry Larkin Way, notwithstanding the requirements of Council Resolution No. 16-2003, the Committee of Names process and Section III. A. of the Committee of Names Procedures and Criteria, or any provision of the Cincinnati Municipal Code.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Sections 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate signage, in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to allow the City Administration to move forward with the

street renaming to meet the deadlines for the Opening Day game of the Cincinnati Reds baseball team.

Passed: _____, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

New language underscored. Deleted language indicated by strikethrough.