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An Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

- 2026

**DECLARING** that Fernside Place at Blair Avenue in the Evanston neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Anzora Adkins Way” in honor of Anzora Adkins and in recognition of her countless hours of diligent volunteer service in the Evanston neighborhood and in the city of Cincinnati, including her efforts as a community leader, advocate, and organizer.

WHEREAS, Anzora Adkins is a respected community leader, advocate, and organizer in the Evanston neighborhood, who proudly served as President of the Evanston Community Council; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure as President, Ms. Adkins championed initiatives that strengthened neighborhood unity, advanced equitable development, and amplified residents’ voices in the city of Cincinnati (“City”) decision-making; and

WHEREAS, under her leadership, the Evanston Community Council focused on improving public safety, supporting small businesses, and creating meaningful opportunities for youth engagement; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Adkins worked collaboratively with City officials, faith leaders, and local organizations to secure resources for housing stability, neighborhood beautification, and community programming that reflected Evanston’s unique history and culture; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Adkins is widely known for her hands-on leadership style and her ability to bring together diverse stakeholders around shared goals rooted in collaboration, equity, and mutual respect; and

WHEREAS, the legacy of Anzora Adkins’ service as Council President continues to inspire a new generation of civic leaders committed to building a stronger, more inclusive Evanston neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Anzora Adkins has made a lasting impact to the Evanston community and to the City, and her contributions will long be remembered; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That Fernside Place at Blair Avenue in the Evanston neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Anzora Adkins Way” in honor of Anzora Adkins and her tireless volunteer work to improve the neighborhood of Evanston and the city of Cincinnati (“City”).

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate secondary street signage, which shall designate Fernside Place at Blair Avenue in the Evanston neighborhood as “Anzora Adkins Way” in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering’s procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That a copy of this ordinance be sent to Anzora Adkins and her family via the office of Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney.

Section 4. 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 Department of Transportation and Engineering to move forward with the administrative requirements related to the honorary naming of streets to provide for the ceremony and dedication of the honorary street name at the earliest possible time.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk