

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2023

**DECLARING** that the crosswalk across Warsaw Avenue at the intersection of McPherson Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Ventura Navarro Crossing” in honor of Federico Ventura Navarro who was hit by a car while crossing Warsaw Avenue, as a reminder of the necessity to know and observe road and traffic regulations, and in recognition of his contributions as a business owner to the Cincinnati community.

WHEREAS, Federico Ventura Navarro came to America from Guatemala in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Navarro opened his store, Tienda Julia, a decade later in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Tienda Julia serves the Hispanic community by providing traditional ingredients and products not offered by standard grocery stores; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Navarro became a beloved businessman and member of the East Price Hill community, and was known for his kindness and friendliness; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Navarro was tragically struck and killed in a hit and run vehicle collision at the intersection of Warsaw Avenue and McPherson Avenue; and

WHEREAS, At the time of his death, Mr. Navarro was actively working in conjunction with the East Price Hill Improvement Association Community Council to address pedestrian safety concerns on Warsaw Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Navarro is remembered for his friendliness and being a loving family man, and is survived by his wife and three children who still own Tienda Julia today; and

WHEREAS, Council, together with Mr. Navarro’s loving and dedicated family, wishes to honor his memory by placing an honorary, secondary name on the crosswalk across Warsaw Avenue at the intersection of McPherson Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, by this action, Council and Mr. Navarro’s family further seek to increase education and awareness of pedestrian safety issues in the hope that future tragedies of this type are prevented; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the crosswalk across Warsaw Avenue at the intersection of McPherson Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of

“Ventura Navarro Crossing” to honor Federico Ventura Navarro and to serve as a reminder of the necessity for both drivers and pedestrians to know and observe road and traffic regulations and in honor of Mr. Navarro’s contributions to the Cincinnati business community and the East Price Hill neighborhood.

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 the crosswalk across Warsaw Avenue at the intersection of McPherson Avenue as “Ventura Navarro Crossing” 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 the family of Federico Ventura Navarro 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 name at the earliest possible time.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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