

TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

Town Hall 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Chapel Hill. NC 27514

Legislation Text

File #: [22-0271], Version: 1

Approve Council Naming Committee Recommendation to Place the Name of Fred Battle on the Peace and Justice Plaza Marker.

Committee Members:

Mayor Pam Hemminger Mayor pro tem Karen Stegman Council Member Michael Parker Council Member Tai Huynh

Committee:

Naming Committee

Overview: The Town of Chapel Hill Council approved naming the space in front of the old Post Office at 179 East Franklin Street the "Peace and Justice Plaza," and the placement of a stone marker at the site that would display the names of citizens who had given much of their lives to the causes of peace and justice in our community. The Naming Committee recommends that Fred Battle be recognized for his commitment to social justice in Chapel Hill.



Recommendation(s):

That the Council adopt the resolution to honor Fred Battle by authorizing the Town Manager to engrave his name on the Peace and Justice Plaza Marker.

Fiscal Impact/Resources: Cost of engraving will come from existing FY 2022 Arts and Culture budget.

Where is this item in its process?





Attachments:

Resolution

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A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING FRED BATTLE'S NAME FOR PLACEMENT ON THE PEACE AND JUSTICE PLAZA MARKER (2022-04-06/R-2)

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill approved naming the space in front of the old Post Office the Peace and Justice Plaza and the placement of a stone marker at the site that would display the names of residents who had given much of their lives to the causes of peace and justice in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill also approved adding the names to the marker of deceased social activists Joe and Lucy Straley, Yonni Chapman, Rebecca Clark, Rev. Charles M. Jones, Daniel H. Pollitt, Mildred Ringwalt, Charlotte Adams, Joe Herzenberg, Hubert Robinson, James R. Brittain, Henry "Hank" Anderson III, Gloria Williams, Bill Thorpe, Dean E. Smith, Mildred Council, Harold Foster, Robert Seymour, and Edith Wiggins; and

WHEREAS, Fred Battle participated in Chapel Hill's Civil Rights Movement, served as director of the Hargraves Community Center, helped to improve the way of life for area residents by serving on several Town and County advisory boards, and was president of the local chapter of the NAACP; and

WHEREAS, the Council Naming Committee recommends honoring Fred Battle for his lifelong contribution to social justice in Chapel Hill, and that his name be engraved on the marker along with the above names.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Town Manager is authorized to proceed with engraving the name of Fred Battle on the Peace and Justice Plaza marker.

This the 6th day of April, 2022.

The Agenda will reflect the text below and/or the motion text will be used during the meeting.

By adopting the resolution, the Council authorizes the Town Manager to proceed with engraving the name of Fred Battle on the Peace and Justice Plaza Marker.