

RESOLUTION NO. 115-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA RENAMING THE “REV. J.W.H. THOMAS, JR.” PARK TO THE “REV. DR. J.W.H. THOMAS, JR.” PARK; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2014, the City Commission adopted Resolution 32-14 honoring the memory of Reverend Dr. J.W.H. Thomas, Jr. for his significant contributions to the City of Delray Beach as an educator, a Man of Faith, a community servant, and a military hero; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his accomplishments, the City designated a pocket park located at SW 9th Avenue and SW 1st Street owned by the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) as the “Reverend J.W.H. Thomas, Jr.” Park; and

WHEREAS, the City and the CRA recently learned that the park’s name inadvertently omitted the title of “Doctor;” and

WHEREAS, City and CRA staff support the request to rename the park as the “Rev. Dr. J.W.H. Thomas, Jr” to properly honor the legacy of Rev. Dr. J.W.H. Thomas, Jr.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby affirmed and ratified.

Section 2. The City Commission of the City of Delray Beach shall direct City staff to rename the pocket park currently known as the “Rev. J.W.H. Thomas, Jr. Park” to the “Rev. Dr. J.W.H. Thomas, Jr. Park”.

Section 3. The City Commission authorizes the City Manager to take any action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in regular session on the ____ day of _____, 2024.

Thomas F. Carney, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Katerri Johnson, City Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Lynn Gelin, City Attorney