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BILL SYNOPSIS

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Bill: 21-0089

Barksdale Square City Property - Naming the Property, located at Ward 6, Section 9, Block 1318, Lot 2 (also known as 199 North Caroline Street), to be the Dante Barksdale Square

Sponsor:

President Mosby

Introduced: May 17, 2021

Purpose:

For the purpose of naming the City property located at Ward 6, Section 9, Block 1318, Lot 2 (also known as 199 North Caroline Street), to be Dante Barksdale Square.

Effective:

The 30th day after the date it is enacted

Agency Reports

City Solicitor	Favorable
Planning Commission	Favorable
Department of Real Estate	
Department of Transportation	
Baltimore Development Corporation	Favorable
Department of Recreation and Parks	
Department of Finance	

Analysis

Current Law

Article 5 - Finance, Property, and Procurement; Section 20-2; Baltimore City Code (Edition 2000)

Background

According to the Baltimore City Code, Article 20, Section 2, renaming of City property requires approval via City Council ordinance. Bill 21-0089 proposes to rename the City property located at 199 North Caroline street to be the Dante Barksdale Square.

The triangular-shaped site is situated in the Eastern Planning District. The site is bordered by Fayette Street to the south, Lexington Street on the north and North Caroline Street on the east.

Dante Barksdale gained national recognition for his outreach work for 13 years with the Baltimore City Health Department's Safe Streets program. Major focus of the program was to interrupt and reduce violence, specifically gun violence, among youth aged 14 - 24. The program has been implemented in McElderry Park community in East Baltimore and the Cherry Hill community in South Baltimore.

Dante Barksdale was killed on January 17, 2021.

Additional Information

Fiscal Note: Not Available

Information Source(s): Reporting Agencies and Bill 21-0089

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