

# City of Annapolis Signature Copy R-27-25



Renaming of the Noah Hillman Parking Garage

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# City Council of the **City of Annapolis**

Resolution 27-25

Introduced by: Mayor Buckley Co-sponsored by:

#### A RESOLUTION concerning

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- **FOR** the purpose of renaming the Noah Hillman Parking Garage located in downtown Annapolis as the "Mills Hillman Garage" in recognition of the contributions made by the Mills family to the City of Annapolis.
- WHEREAS, Originally built in the early 1970s and rebuilt in 2022-23, the Noah Hillman Parking Garage has served as a vital public parking facility in downtown Annapolis since its construction; and
- WHEREAS, The City of Annapolis recognizes the importance of honoring individuals who have made significant contributions to the betterment of the community; and
- WHEREAS, The new name references the landmark civil rights case "Mills v. Board of Education of Anne Arundel County" (1939), mandating that the county and state pay equal salaries to both black and white educators; Walter Mills served as the principal of Parole Elementary School, while attorney Noah Hillman represented the Anne Arundel County Board of Education in the U.S. District Court case; and
- WHEREAS, In April 1978, the City Council named the downtown Annapolis parking garage off Main Street after Noah Hillman, a long-time city alderman who

sponsored the legislation that created the Annapolis Historic District; and also served as Mayor from June 2 to June 11, 1973, when then-Mayor Roger Moyer resigned early to honor Alderman Hillman; and

WHEREAS, The renaming of the parking garage as "Mills Hillman Garage" will serve as a lasting tribute to both the Mills and Hillman families and their combined legacy of service to the City of Annapolis;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the Noah Hillman Parking Garage, located at 150 Gorman Street in downtown Annapolis, shall henceforth be officially known as the "Mills Hillman Garage".

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that:

- 1. All appropriate signage, maps, official documents, and city records shall be updated to reflect this name change within 90 days of the passage of this resolution; and
- 2. A formal dedication ceremony shall be held on a date determined by the Mayor's Office, with representatives of the Mills and Hillman families invited to participate.

AND BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that this resolution shall take effect upon passage.

## ADOPTED this 14th day of July 2025.

Aye: 7 Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Nay: 2 Alderman Huntley and Alderwoman O'Neill

COUNCIL Date: 8/5/2025

Gavin Buckley, Mayor

ATTEST Cymbol Muc Date: 7/9/25

Regina Watkins-Eldridge, MMC,
City Clerk