

1 **..Title**

2 **Renaming the Section of Holeclaw Street Between the Intersections of Carver Street and**  
3 **Bunche Street** - For the purpose of declaring that the section of Holeclaw Street, between the  
4 intersections of Carver Street and Bunche Street, shall be renamed “Hoppy Adams Way” to  
5 honor the contributions of Mr. Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr. to the City of Annapolis.

6 **..Body**

7 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE**  
8 **City of Annapolis**

9  
10 **Resolution 37-16**

11  
12 **Introduced by: Alderwoman Pindell Charles**

13  
14 **Referred to**

15  
16  
17 **A RESOLUTION** concerning

18  
19 **Renaming the Section of Holeclaw Street**  
20 **Between the Intersections of Carver Street and Bunche Street**

21  
22 **FOR** the purpose of declaring that the section of Holeclaw Street, between the intersections of  
23 Carver Street and Bunche Street, shall be renamed “Hoppy Adams Way” to honor the  
24 contributions of Mr. Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr. to the City of Annapolis.

25  
26 **WHEREAS,** on November 2, 2016 the Heritage Commission of Annapolis voted unanimously  
27 to rename the section of Holeclaw Street, between the intersections of Carver  
28 Street and Bunche Street, to “Hoppy Adams Way” to honor the contributions of  
29 Mr. Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr. to the City of Annapolis; and

30  
31 **WHEREAS,** the Heritage Commission of Annapolis has forwarded its recommendation to the  
32 Annapolis City Council for a vote of approval to rename the section of Holeclaw  
33 Street, between the intersections of Carver Street and Bunche Street, to “Hoppy  
34 Adams Way” to honor the contributions of Mr. Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr.  
35 to the City of Annapolis; and

36  
37 **WHEREAS,** the renaming of the section of Holeclaw Street, between the intersections of  
38 Carver Street and Bunche Street, is part of an ongoing 100 year celebration of the  
39 Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School – 1916-2016; and

40  
41 **WHEREAS,** Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr. was a distinguished Radio Personality and  
42 Executive Vice President of the radio station WANN located in Annapolis, MD  
43 for more than 40 years; and

44  
45 **WHEREAS,** Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr. in addition to being a Radio Personality, was an  
46 active community and behind-the-scenes Philanthropist; and

1  
2 **WHEREAS**, in 1952, Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr. was hired by Mr. Morris Blum, whom  
3 The Baltimore Sun hailed Mr. Blum “as a pioneer in race relations for putting  
4 African-American personalities on the air more than five decades ago”; and

5  
6 **WHEREAS**, Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr. was instrumental in attracting nationally and  
7 well-known African-American entertainers to Carrs Beach in Annapolis; and

8  
9 **WHEREAS**, Charles W. “Hoppy” Adams, Jr. was a life-long Parole resident, who attended our  
10 Annapolis area schools, including Parole Elementary School (now the Walter S.  
11 Mills-Parole Elementary School), as did his family members, many of whom  
12 continue to reside in Parole; and

13  
14 **WHEREAS**, there are no residences on that section of Holeclaw Street, between the  
15 intersections of Carver Street and Bunche Street; and

16  
17 **WHEREAS**, the renaming of this street does not conflict with any other City street names nor  
18 Anne Arundel County street names in the Annapolis area.

19  
20  
21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that  
22 the section of Holeclaw Street, between the intersections of Carver Street and Bunche Street,  
23 shall be renamed “Hoppy Adams Way” to honor the contributions of Mr. Charles W. “Hoppy”  
24 Adams, Jr. to the City of Annapolis.

25  
26 **AND BT IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that all  
27 “Hoppy Adams Way” street signage shall bear the former designation of “Holeclaw Lane” as is  
28 the custom on other street signs in the City of Annapolis.

29  
30 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this  
31 resolution shall take effect from the date of its passage.

32  
33  
34 **EXPLANATION**

35 CAPITAL LETTERS indicate matter added to existing law.

36 ~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.

37 Underlining indicates amendments.