



Legislation Text

File #: R-51-19, Version: 1

Honoring Chief Joseph S. Johnson - For the purpose of recognizing and honoring Chief Joseph S. Johnson; and dedicating and approving the installation of a commemorative marker on naming the Annapolis Police Department building in his honor; and reinstalling the plaque recognizing Chief Howes.

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE
City of Annapolis**

Resolution 51-19

Introduced by Alderman Paone

**Referred to
Heritage Commission
90-day Rule: 3/9/20**

A RESOLUTION concerning

Honoring Chief Joseph S. Johnson

FOR the purpose of recognizing and honoring Chief Joseph S. Johnson; and dedicating and approving the installation of a commemorative marker on naming the Annapolis Police Department building in his honor; and reinstalling the plaque recognizing Chief Howes.

WHEREAS, Chief Joseph S. Johnson was born on January 31, 1943, and grew up in Annapolis, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, Chief Joseph S. Johnson began his career in law enforcement with the Baltimore Police Department in 1968, working his way up through the ranks and ultimately serving in the position of Colonel, chief of patrol; and

WHEREAS, In July 1991, Chief Joseph S. Johnson retired from the Baltimore Police Department and was hired to serve as assistant chief of the Annapolis Police Department; and

WHEREAS, In 1994, he was elevated to Chief of Police of the Annapolis Police Department, the first African-American to hold this position; and

WHEREAS, During the tenure of Chief Joseph S. Johnson a federally mandated Consent Decree was satisfied, which increased the number of women and minority officers in the Annapolis Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Chief Joseph S. Johnson, he brought stability and professionalism to the Annapolis Police Department; and

WHEREAS, The Annapolis Police Department building has never officially been named and the City Council wishes to ~~dedicate to, and install a commemorative marker on,~~ name the building in honor of Chief Joseph S. Johnson.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis recognize the achievements of Chief Joseph S. Johnson.

~~**AND BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that a commemorative marker be dedicated to and installed on the Annapolis Police Department building in honor of Chief Joseph S. Johnson.~~

~~**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the Annapolis Police Department building be named in honor of Chief Joseph S. Johnson.~~

~~**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the plaque recognizing Chief Howes be relocated to a new prominent location in the front of the Annapolis Police Department building.~~

AND BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that this resolution shall take effect from the date of its passage.

EXPLANATION

Underlining indicates matter added.
[~~Strikethrough~~] indicates matter stricken.