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City of Pompano Beach Officials
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100 W Atlantic Blvd
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Subject: Request for Street Renaming in Honor of Luerenna Howard Holley

Dear Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission,

I am writing to respectfully request the renaming of a street in the City of Pompano Beach in honor of Mrs. Luerenna Howard Holley, a devoted resident, community leader, and matriarch whose life's work significantly contributed to the growth and development of the Collier City community.

Mrs. Holley was a lifelong resident of Pompano Beach, having lived at 2160 NW 3rd Street Pompano Beach, FL 33069 for over 65 years. She attended the historic Pompano Beach Colored School, now known as Blanche Ely High School, and remained deeply rooted in the community throughout her life.

As one of the matriarchs of a pioneering family in the 1960s, Mrs. Holley played an instrumental role in advocating for improvements in her neighborhood, including lending her voice to efforts that led to the paving of streets in the Collier City area. Her commitment to community advancement helped shape the infrastructure and quality of life for many residents.

Mrs. Holley was also a founding member of Greater Community Missionary Baptist Church in 1973, serving under the leadership of Reverend Evander Derico Sr. Her faith and service extended beyond the church walls, as she founded the Vacation Bible School program and actively contributed to youth development.

Her dedication to young people was further demonstrated through her support of the Pompano Beach Chiefs football program, where she assisted in transporting cheerleaders and football players during its early years under the leadership of her brother-in-law, Eddie Willie Kyles Sr., in 1972. Additionally, she served as a camp mother at the Florida Memorial University Baptist Youth Camp, mentoring and nurturing countless young individuals.

Mrs. Holley's community involvement also included her work with the Herbert Airline Chapter No. 221, Order of the Eastern Star, where she extended her talents and service in various capacities.

Professionally, Mrs. Holley earned her Licensed Practical Nursing certificate from the Broward County Nursing School and dedicated over 30 years of service to healthcare. She retired from Colonial Palms Nursing Home in Pompano Beach, where she provided compassionate and quality care to her patients.

Above all, Mrs. Holley was a devoted mother who raised 13 children in Pompano Beach, instilling in them the values of faith, service, and community responsibility.

Renaming a street in her honor would be a fitting tribute to her enduring legacy and her immeasurable contributions to the City of Pompano Beach. It would serve as a lasting reminder of her dedication to community development, youth empowerment, and service to others.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. We would be honored to provide any additional information or documentation needed to support this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Holley Atkins