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Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers President, City of New Haven Board of Alders 165 Church Street, New Haven, CT 06510

Dear President Walker-Myers:

I would like to respectfully submit to the Board of Alders the following communication to designate the corner of Grand Avenue and Haven Street "Malik Jones Corner" in memory of a deceased individual and a beloved member of our community.

On April 14, 2007, Malik Jones was chased by an East Haven, Connecticut officer through New Haven, to a location one block from his home. The officer ran up to Malik's car, smashed the window, and shot Malik several times, killing him. Mr. Jones was unarmed and had committed no crime.

Emma Jones, his mother embarked on a lifelong mission to obtain justice for her son, and make sure this would not happen to any other person without some form of accountability. Ms. Jones led the fight for a statewide racial profiling law, a no-chase law, and a Civilian Review Board, all which were put in place.

Therefore, we ask that the Board approve this communication and recognize the work that Ms. Jones has done to ensure that others don't suffer the same fate as her son and recognize him and his family by naming the corner of Grand Avenue and Haven Street "Malik Jones Corner".

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Cupo Honorable Ellen Cupo Alder, Ward 8

