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Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers
President, New Haven Board of Alders

Dear President Walker-Myers,

Re: Naming the Northeast Corner of Orange Street and Elm Street in Honor of Lucretia.

I respectfully submit to the Board of Alders the attached Order proposing that the corner of Orange Street and Elm Street be designated as “Lucretia’s Corner” to honor her significant role in helping build the City of New Haven and her commitment to advocating for the elderly.

In the New Haven Colony shortly after its establishment in 1638, the first African of which there is any record is Lucretia. Lucretia was a slave of New Haven’s first governor, Theophilus Eaton at his estate, located on a plot of land which would now be bisected by the corner of Orange Street and Elm Street. Lucretia was a significant behind-the-scenes person in helping to build progress in the domesticity of New Haven and the public domain she experienced, from its beginning. Lucretia, in her old age, using whatever limited opportunities came her way, courageously expressed the need for better treatment of the elderly.

To honor Lucretia and her contributions in helping to build the City of New Haven, I ask that the Board of Alders approve this Order, which calls for the designation of the corner, as mentioned above, in recognition of Lucretia in perpetuity, officially commemorating her legacy in New Haven.

Thank you for considering this communication.

Respectfully submitted
Hon. Steven Winter
Alder, Ward 21