

A Resolution

NO. _____

SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF IH-35W WITHIN THE CITY OF FORT WORTH CITY LIMITS FOR ATATIANA JEFFERSON

WHEREAS Atatiana Koquice Jefferson, (affectionately known as “Tay”) was born on November 28, 1990 and was a Fort Worth citizen; and

WHEREAS Atatiana Jefferson graduated with a pre-med degree in Biology from Xavier University of Louisiana in 2014 and returned to Fort Worth to assist her family; and

WHEREAS Atatiana Jefferson was working in pharmaceutical equipment sales and making plans to further her education in medicine in the City of Fort Worth so that she could give back to her community; and

WHEREAS Atatiana Jefferson was tragically killed on October 12, 2019 during a police encounter; and

WHEREAS City Staff and members of the Fort Worth community, in honor of Atatiana Jefferson’s memory, have engaged in meaningful discussions and reflections about race, equality and equity, and police encounters and their impact on our City; and

WHEREAS these discussions have reinforced the commitment of the City and community to address disparities in criminal justice, economic development, education, governance, housing and health; and

WHEREAS the City of Fort Worth wishes to honor Atatiana Jefferson’s life and legacy by requesting that Texas Department of Transportation designate a portion of Interstate Highway 35W in the City of Fort Worth city limits for Atatiana Jefferson.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, THAT:

The City Council, in memory of Atatiana Jefferson and the significance of her exemplary life within the Fort Worth community, requests that the State of Texas designate a portion of Interstate Highway 35W as it runs through the City of Fort Worth as the Atatiana Jefferson Freeway.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2021.

ATTEST:

By: _____
City Secretary