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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 12-84

"Ronald H. Brown Building Designation Act of 1997"

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P.L. 93-198 "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 12-161, on first and second readings, November 4, 1997 and December 4, 1997, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on December 22, 1997, pursuant to Section 404(e) of "the Act", and was assigned Act No. 12-227, and published in the January 23, 1998, edition of the D.C. Register (Vol. 45 page 378) and transmitted to Congress on February 2, 1998 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 12-84, effective March 25, 1998.

LINDA W. CROPP Chairman of the Council

<u>Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period</u>:

Feb. 2,3,4,5,9,10,11,12,23,24,25,26,27

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D.C. ACT 12-227

Codification District of Columbia Code 1998 Supp.

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DECEMBER 22, 1997

To rename Daniel C. Roper Middle School, at 4800 Meade Street, N.E., as the "Ronald H. Brown Middle School" in honor of the late Secretary of Commerce of the United States.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Ronald H. Brown Building Designation Act of 1997".

Sec. 2. Findings.

(1) Ronald H. Brown was born in Washington, D.C. and raised in New York City. A graduate of Middlebury College in Vermont, he later received his law degree from St. John University, in New York while attending night classes and working as a caseworker during the day.

Note, Section 7-451

- (2) Ronald H. Brown's commitment to civil rights was exemplified by his tenure at the National Urban League, where he was the Executive Director and General Counsel, and also served as the Legislative Chairman of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights.
- (3) Ronald H. Brown further demonstrated his dedication to quality, affordable education by becoming the first Chairman of the Board for the University of the District of Columbia.
- (4) Ronald H. Brown became the Chairman of the Democratic National Convention in 1989, successfully leading the party and President William J. Clinton to a presidential victory in 1992.
- (5) Ronald H. Brown was later appointed by President Clinton as the first African-American Secretary of Commerce where he promoted entrepreneurship and economic development of distressed communities throughout the nation.
- (6) As Commerce Secretary, Ronald H. Brown addressed international economic and trade issues with enthusiasm and dedication, and devoted his life to creating economic opportunity for all persons and exemplified the importance for civil and human rights in the United States and abroad.
- (7) Ronald H. Brown was instrumental in securing a state-of-the-art computer laboratory at Roper Middle School, and soliciting private partners who donated time, equipment, and money to the school.
 - (8) Renaming Roper Middle School, at 4800 Meade Street, N.E., as the

"Ronald H. Brown Middle School" is a fitting tribute to a person whose spirit, determination, and intellect was, and remains, an inspiration to individuals on an international level.

Sec. 3. Pursuant to section 401 of the Street and Alley Closing and Acquisition Procedures act of 1982, effective March 10, 1983 (D.C. Law 4-201; D.C. Code § 7-451), the Council hereby renames the Daniel C. Roper Middle School, located at 4800 Meade Street, N.E., as the "Ronald H. Brown Middle School".

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(3)).

- Sec. 5. This act shall apply as of April 3, 1998.
- Sec. 6. The Secretary of the Council shall transmit a copy of this act after it becomes effective to the Surveyor of the District of Columbia who shall record in the Office of the Surveyor, "Ronald H. Brown Middle School" as the name of the Daniel C. Roper Middle School. The Board of Education, or its successor shall erect appropriate signs at this school in accordance with this act.
- Sec. 7. This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), approval by the Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority as provided in section 203(a) of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority Act of 1995, approved April 17, 1995 (109 Stat. 116; D.C. Code § 47-392.3(a)), and a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(1), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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APPROVED: December 22, 1997



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