



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#26-0709

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Christopher Cooper, Acting City Manager

DATE: August 18, 2026

TITLE: Resolution Supporting the Florida Legislature's Honorary Designation of State Road 842 between South Andrews Avenue and Southeast 6 Avenue as "Terry Stiles Memorial Boulevard" - **(Commission District 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution supporting the Florida Legislature's honorary designation of the portion of State Road 842 (East Las Olas Boulevard) between South Andrews Avenue and Southeast 6 Avenue as "Terry Stiles Memorial Boulevard."

Background

In its 2026 session, the Florida Legislature approved Senate Bill 628, which was signed by Governor Ron DeSantis on April 14, 2026. The bill, with an effective date of July 1, 2026, provides honorary designations for various streets, roadways, and highway interchanges throughout the state, as well as one airport, and directs the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to erect suitable markers.

To support the legislature's designation, the Florida House of Representatives' nonpartisan committee staff's Final Bill Analysis cited a 2017 Miami Herald article titled, *Developer Terry Stiles Dies at Age 70 After Battle with Cancer*, which states:

"Terry Stiles was a prominent developer from Ft. Lauderdale and head of the Stiles Corporation. Stiles was credited with helping shape Ft. Lauderdale's skyline and known for his many charitable contributions to the Broward County community. Stiles passed away on September 11, 2017."

In addition to his award-winning success in real estate development, Terry Stiles was involved in local organizations that support children, education, and family. Organizations supported by Mr. Stiles include Jack and Jill Children's Center, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Junior Achievement, Boys & Girls Club, Broward College, Humane Society, Kids in Distress, and Habitat for Humanity.

Subsection 334.071(3), Florida Statutes (2025), provides, in part, that “erection of markers shall be contingent on the appropriate city or county commission passing a resolution in support of the particular honorary designation.” Upon receipt of the City’s resolution, FDOT will procure and install no less than two (2) designation markers. Typically markers are installed at each end of the designated roadway segment.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area, Goal 5: Build a beautiful and welcoming community

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We Are Community.

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan specifically advancing:

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- The Historic Preservation Element
- Goal 2: Provide educational and incentive opportunities to further the City’s historic preservation goals.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Senate Bill 628

Exhibit 2 – Florida State Statute 334.071

Exhibit 3 – Location Map

Exhibit 4 – Resolution

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