

RESOLUTION NO. 15-R04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, RENAMING THE "AVENUE D HISTORIC DISTRICT" AS THE "LINCOLN PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT" ENCOMPASSING ALL PROPERTIES WITHIN BOUNDARIES BEING MOORE'S CREEK TO THE SOUTH, U.S. HIGHWAY 1 TO THE EAST, AVENUE E TO THE NORTH, INCLUDING PROPERTIES ON BOTH SIDES OF AVENUE E, AND 15TH STREET TO THE WEST, WHICH THE CITY COMMISSION PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED AS THE AVENUE D HISTORIC DISTRICT BY CITY OF FORT PIERCE RESOLUTION 02-40; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2002, the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce created the "Avenue D Historic District" in the adoption of Resolution 02-40; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fort Pierce Historic Preservation Board approved sending a letter of support on November 25, 2013 for the City Commission to rename the "Avenue D Historic District" as the "Lincoln Park Historic District" based upon its historic accuracy and appropriateness; and

**WHEREAS**, the area of Fort Pierce generally known as Lincoln Park has been a center of economic, commercial and social activity for the African American community since the settlement of Fort Pierce; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission by creating the original historic district in 2002 identified and designated contributing properties within the district that represent a broad range of architectural styles, including wood frame vernacular, shingle style, classic Florida cracker, masonry vernacular, and some fine examples of the shotgun house, as well as buildings that are culturally important to the community such as the Lincoln Park Theater; and

**WHEREAS**, the creation of historic districts has been a proven and effective tool to help spur redevelopment and economic revitalization within its neighborhoods, stabilize property values and foster a sense of pride among the residents, and encourage the preservation of historic properties through tax exemptions and other economic incentives; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of Fort Pierce desire to protect and preserve in perpetuity those sites of outstanding historic, archaeological and architectural character; and

**WHEREAS**, the renaming of this valuable historic district will ensure accuracy in recognizing and inspiring efforts to protect and preserve in perpetuity those sites of outstanding historic, archaeological and architectural character.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, that the Avenue D Historic District, as created by City of Fort Pierce Resolution 02-40, be renamed and known as the "Lincoln Park Historic District" pursuant to the Fort Pierce Historic Preservation Ordinance (Chapter 23 of the Code of Ordinances) and that all properties

within the Lincoln Park Historic District remain subject to all rights, privileges and requirements of that ordinance.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, this Resolution has been duly adopted on this \_\_\_\_ day of February, 2015.

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Linda Hudson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda Cox, City Clerk

Approved as to Form  
And Correctness:

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