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Sponsor(s):	Villegas (36)
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Title:	Honorary street designation as "Honorary Anthony Canadeo Way"
Committee(s) Assignment:	Committee on Transportation and Public Way

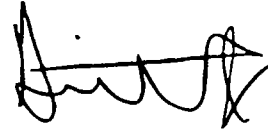
ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Section 2-8-040 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, which allows for honorary street-name designation ("Designation Ordinance"), the Commissioner of Transportation shall take the necessary action for standardization of West Diversey Avenue from N. Oak Park Avenue to N. Rutherford Avenue as "Honorary Anthony Canadeo Way".

SECTION 2. Pursuant to Section 2-8-040 (b) of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the Designation Ordinance shall be accompanied by a biography of ("EXHIBIT A"), the reason for honoring the individual or group ("EXHIBIT B"), and a map indicating the blocks for the designation ("EXHIBIT C").

SECTION 3. The ordinance shall take full effect upon passage and publication.



Gilbert Villegas
Alderman, 36th Ward

EXHIBIT A

BIOGRAPHY OF ANTHONY CANADEO

Anthony Canadeo was born on May 5th, 1919 in Chicago to Anthony and Katherine Canadeo. His father worked as a motorman for the Chicago Surface Lines. The family lived at 2643 N. Rutherford Avenue. Anthony attended grade school at Josephine Carson Locke where above the entrance on the northeast side of the school is inscribed the quotation, "*Art Needs No Spur Beyond Itself*". Anthony's artistry would be expressed on the football field.

After graduating from Locke in 1933, Anthony quickly put the newly opened Steinmetz High School on the map playing football. He was later honored with recognition from the Steinmetz Alumni Association Hall of Fame.

Anthony played college football at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. As a member of the Bulldog football team, Canadeo earned the All-West Coast and Little All-American honors in 1940. At Gonzaga he earned the nickname "Gray Ghost of Gonzaga" based on his premature graying hair.

Although drafted in the 9th round by the Green Bay Packers, he would make the team. He played his entire professional football career with the Packers and is one of only six players to have his number retired by the franchise. He was a complete football player who excelled at multiple positions. Best known for his exploits as a running back, in 1949 he became only the third running back in NFL history to run over 1,000 yards in a season. He would amass over 8,000 multiple purpose yards during his career. His eleven year football career was interrupted by his service in the United States Army during World War II. However, his athletic exploits led to enshrinement in the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio in 1974 and the Chicagoland Sports Hall of Fame.

After his playing career was over Anthony worked as a color commentator for CBS and was a long time member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee for Green Bay Packers, Inc. He passed away on November 29th, 2003 at the age of 84.

EXHIBIT B

REASONS FOR HONORING ANTHONY CANADEO

The 36th Ward is honoring the life of the late Anthony Canadeo for attaining the highest recognition possible in his chosen profession, leaving a lasting impact on the City of Chicago. Anthony was the son of Italian immigrants, who was born and raised in the Mont Clare neighborhood. He had a remarkable journey from the northwest side of Chicago to the Pro Football Hall of Fame. In addition to his enshrinement in Canton, Ohio, Anthony has been recognized by the Steinmetz Alumni Association, Gonzaga University, and the Green Bay Packers to name a few. Absent from the accolades for this Hall of Fame athlete is recognition from where it all began: his old neighborhood.

Given that Anthony Canadeo passed away in 2003, this year would mark the 20th anniversary of his passing. I believe the intersections of Diversey and Oak Park and Diversey and Rutherford are fitting locations to display Honorary Street Signs in the name of Anthony Canadeo. Anthony was a Locke School graduate and grew up a short distance away on Rutherford Street. These two locations are directly related to the early life of Anthony in Chicago. Anthony Canadeo is remembered for being a proud son of Italian immigrants, and a record-breaking athlete. Thus, making the 36th Ward and City of Chicago extremely proud.

EXHIBIT C

MAP

DESIGNATION BLOCKS: W. Diversey Avenue from N. Oak Park Avenue to Rutherford Avenue

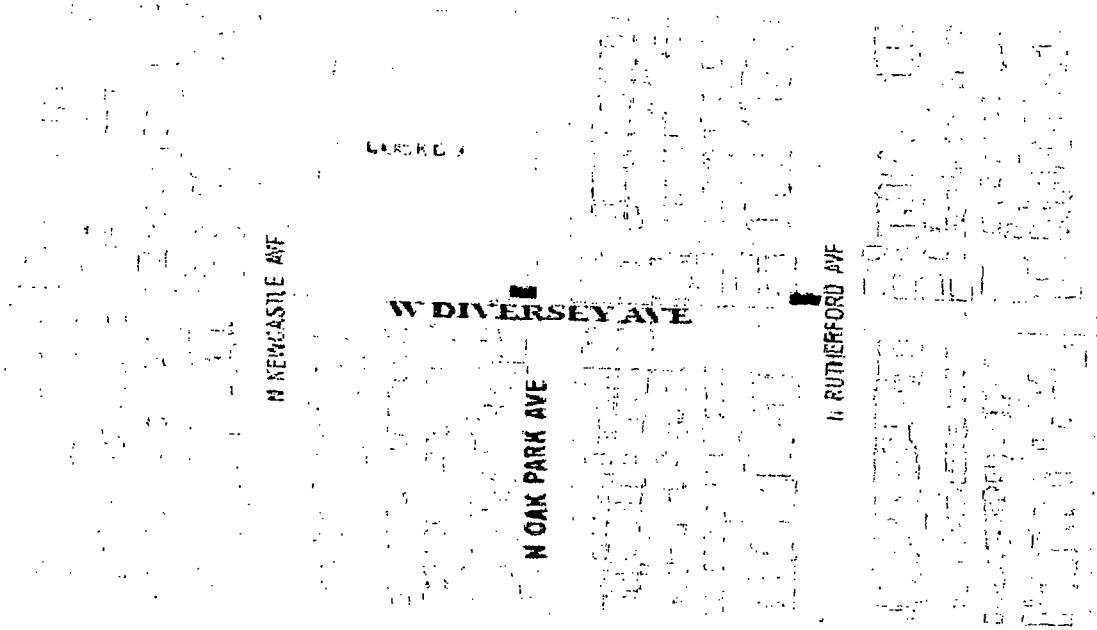


EXHIBIT D

Date: 3/15/2023

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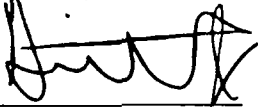
To Whom It May Concern:

I, GILBERT VILLEGAS, Alderman of the 36th Ward, hereby authorize the Office of Budget Management to withdraw the funds associated with the cos of installation for this honorary street designation for Anthony Canadeo from my:

- Ward's annual menu program budget
- Ward's aldermanic expense allowance

upon passage of this designation ordinance, pursuant to Section 2-8-040 of the Chicago Municipal Code.

Sincerely,



Gilbert Villegas
Alderman, 36th Ward