



SCOTT'S ADDITION BOULEVARD ASSOCIATION

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The Honorable Councilwoman Kimberly B. Gray
Richmond City Hall
900 E. Broad Street, Suite 305
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Councilwoman Gray:

I write to you today on behalf of the board of the Scott's Addition Boulevard Association to voice our support for the measure you are spearheading in conjunction with Mr. David Harris, nephew of Arthur Ashe, Jr., to consider renaming the Boulevard "Arthur Ashe Boulevard."

This designation would honor Ashe, a well-known and beloved Richmond tennis player who broke down barriers and made significant contributions to our city's culture that live on to this day.

After carefully considering the implications of this name change as it relates to Scott's Addition, we believe this name change will cause neither undue hardship for businesses or residents nor burden taxpayers, as the projected costs of changing street signs would be relatively low. Some of those who oppose this measure seek to prioritize other important city issues such as school repairs and paint it as an "either/or," when we believe it can be a "both/and" that does not divert resources from other city priorities.

We lend our full support and hope that City Council will come together to approve this measure to honor a legendary athlete and great Richmonder.

Sincerely yours,

Trevor Dickerson

President, Scott's Addition Boulevard Association