

2008-0160

PETITION TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

St. Charles Parish Council Chairman
P. O. Box 302
Hahnville, LA 70057
(985) 783-5000

Today's Date: 3/10/08

Dear Chairman:

Please place my name to address the Council on:

DATE: 3-24-08

SPECIFIC TOPIC: Change of Street Name in Norco

(*see specific guidelines on reverse and refer to Parish Charter-- Article VII., Sec. I.)
p.s (letter sent to pass Councilman Duke please refer to previous letter 3/07 thanks)

DOCUMENTS, IF ANY: YES / NO

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SIGNATURE: Margie Eugene Richard

Dear Constituent:

Thank you for your active participation. Your views and comments will be considered by the Council in making our decisions. The Council has a considerable amount of business to conduct in a limited amount of time, therefore, please note the following items that are expected of you:

- > The Home Rule Charter provides for citizens to address the Council. It makes no provision for initiating debate, discussion, or question and answer sessions with Councilmembers or Administration Officials. Your right is also guaranteed to examine public documents as you prepare your presentation. Should you have any questions for Councilmembers and/or Department Heads as you prepare, please forward such inquiries to the Council Office to insure a timely response. Should you wish to speak to any Official or Department personally, a complete list of contact information will be furnished at your request.
- > Please be brief and limit your comments to the specific subject matter on which you have requested to address the Council.
- > Please forward supporting documents to the Council Secretary for distribution to the Parish Council before your scheduled appearance in order for the Council to prepare themselves, if necessary.
- > Upon completion of your allotted time to address the Council, please respect the time given to Councilmembers to respond to your comments by not interrupting or interjecting remarks.
- > **Slanderous remarks and comments will not be tolerated.** If slanderous remarks or comments are made, your opportunity to address the Council will end, regardless of the remaining time left to address the Council.
- > Repetitious comments and subject matter will be strictly limited.

A confirmation letter will follow when your name is placed on the agenda.

Sincerely,
Dennis Nuss
DENNIS NUSS
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

(OVER)

33 Edgewood
Destrehan, LA 70047

Dear Councilman Duhe,

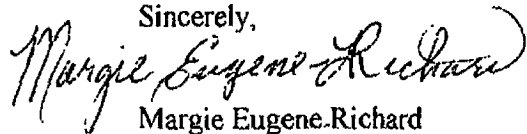
I'm writing this letter of request in reference to Washington Street in Norco. As a resident of Norco for fifty-five years, I would like to make a request to change the name of the street in honor of my father, a community leader and town activist. I would like the name to be changed to T.D. Eugene St. He was a role model and among the first to attend college from the town of Sellars before the name changed to Norco.

His accomplishments and successes are as follows:

1. First black male to graduate from high school from Norco. He graduated from McDonald #35 High School and attended Xavier University for a year and one semester.
2. Taught night school in Bell Town
3. Organized local NAACP
4. Organizer and founder of Masonic Lodge local chapter Stonewall # 76
5. Worthy Patron of Order of Eastern Stars local chapter #23 for Montz, Norco, New Sarpy, St. Rose and other towns on the West bank
6. Earned the highest degree for the Masonic Lodge 33
7. President and secretary of The Odd Fellows
8. The brains behind getting Mary McLeod Bethune High School for blacks in the 50's
9. Worked with leaders from the inner-city during the Civil Rights Movement
10. He was a deacon and choir member of Old Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church(a historical landmark of Diamond Plantation)
11. Organized many town meeting emphasizing the importance of an education
12. Bookkeeper and treasurer and town consultant
13. Lived a life of integrity and respect

Mr. Eugene married Mabel Smith and from this union two children were born- the late Naomi Sedonia Sterling and Margie Eugene Richard. Both girls attended and graduated from Mary McLeod Bethune High School. They both received Bachelor's Degrees from the University of Grambling. Mr. Eugene assisted in sending many children from the community to complete high school and college. He was a man of integrity, intelligence and respect.

Sincerely,


Margie Eugene Richard

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