NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS Designating the corner of Dixwell

Avenue and Thompson Street as "Bishop Jeremiah Covington and Bishop John

C. Wright corner." (Alder Foskey-Cyrus)

REPORT: 1505-08 **ADVICE:** Approval

BACKGROUND

Before the Board is an Order proposing that the corner of Dixwell Avenue and Thompson Street be designated "Bishop Jeremiah Covington and Bishop John C. Wright Corner" in perpetuity. Both Bishop Covington and Bishop Wright have served in many roles and capacities of responsibility as spiritual and community leaders in New Haven and district-wide for a combined total of more than 60 years.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Nearly 650 New Haven residents signed a petition asking the City to "designate the corner of Dixwell Avenue and Thompson Street as 'Bishop Jeremiah Covington and Bishop John C. Wright Corner' in perpetuity, making their legacy in New Haven's Newhallville neighborhood stand as an official and permanent reminder of integrity, generosity, and dignity." This action would honor more than 60 years of service that Bishops Covington and Wright have provided to Mt. Hope Temple and the surrounding community.

ADVICE

The Commission finds the Order in the best interest of the City and recommends approval.

ADOPTED:

May 20, 2015

Edward Mattison

Chair

ATTECT.

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