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Sponsor:

Council Member Turner

Co-Sponsor:

Council Member Oliver **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Wilm. C. § 2-3 the mayor retains authority to sub-name by executive order any city street and designate the appropriate sub-name signage pursuant to subsection 2-298(17); and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the City take steps to properly recognize and pay tribute to Wilmington residents who make a significant impact on history and culture through their exemplary accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, one Wilmingtonian worthy of such an honor is Mr. Demetrio "Junior" Ortega, a former three-term member of the Wilmington City Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ortega diligently served the 5th District as a Wilmington City Council member from 1993-2004; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his work as a Wilmington City Council member, Mr. Ortega was also the Executive Director of the Latin American Community Center. His work with the Latin American Community Center aided in their mission to empower the Latino community through education, advocacy, partnerships and exceptional services; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ortega also helped raise \$30,000 for Puerto Rico after the devastating impact of Hurricane Maria's landfall in 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, that City Council respectfully encourages the Mayor to designate a portion of the street in the area of 1000 West 5th Street as "Demetrio Ortega Way," in recognition of Mr. Ortega's significant contributions to the City of Wilmington. City Council looks forward to joining the Administration in celebrating this designation.

Passed by City Council,
Attest:
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution encourages the Mayor to sub-name a portion of the street in the area of 1000 West 5th Street as "Demetrio Ortega Way," in recognition of the public servant's significant contributions to the City of Wilmington.