RESOLUTION NO. _____OF 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO DEDICATE EDWARDS STREET AT CROCKETT STREET IN HONOR OF THE LATE ANGELO ROPPOLO AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN JEFF EVERSON

WHEREAS, Councilman Jeff Everson has requested that Edwards Street at Crockett Street be dedicated in honor of the late Angelo Roppolo; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo was born in New Orleans, Louisiana on June 29, 1920, and moved to Shreveport when he was a small child; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo was actively involved in national, state and local politics for more than seventy (70) years; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo's passion for politics was fueled by a desire to improve the human condition in general, to help individuals in particular, and to promote fairness and equality regardless of race or gender; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo, because of his political philosophy, used his considerable skills and influence in 1978, to help elect Paul Lynch as Caddo Parish's first black Judge to the District Court, in a Parish-wide election; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo was an advisor and confidant to Governors, members of Congress, Sheriffs, District Attorneys, City Council Members and to persons elected to nearly every public office in Northwest Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo was inducted into the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame on February 2, 2013, which was a fitting tribute for his seventy (70) years of influence in making this country's core promise of self government, a reality for all citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Mayor on behalf of the City is authorized to dedicate Edwards Street at Crockett Street in honor of Angelo Roppolo.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the

invalid provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

Approved as to legal form:

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City Attorney's Office