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Hollywood Honors Pioneering Gottlieb Family With Honorary Street Name

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. – They were pioneer homeowners, business owners, homebuilders, community activists and elected officials whose civic involvement helped make the city what it is today. Now a stretch of North 46th Avenue will bear the Gottlieb name as tribute to their contributions.

City commissioners on Dec. 4 unanimously voted to co-name North 46th Avenue between Sheridan Street and Hollywood Boulevard as “Marvin Gottlieb Avenue” in honor of the family’s 70 years of involvement in the city. Marvin Gottlieb died on August 23, 2023 at age 95.

“It’s an incredible honor for my family that my father be recognized in this way,” said Broward County Court Judge Kenneth A. Gottlieb, whose father and grandfather founded Hollywood Bilt-Rite Homes and Lomar Construction, which constructed thousands of apartments, homes and commercial properties throughout the city from the 1960s forward. “We are truly humbled that a street our family has lived and worked on for decades has been named after a father who was so committed to the community.”

The Gottlieb family built houses in the historic neighborhoods of Hollywood Hills and Emerald Hills, constructed Hollywood’s first condominium in 1963 and put the municipality on the map as an up and coming place to live.

When Judge Gottlieb’s grandparents Hyman and Sadie Gottlieb moved to Hollywood in 1950, Hollywood’s Young Circle was a sprawling undeveloped park, the Great Southern Hotel was a notable landmark and destination and the city was devoid of high-rise buildings. Four years later Hyman Gottlieb’s son Marvin also moved to the city. Not long after, the duo became powerhouse homebuilders who constructed new houses, apartments and businesses throughout the growing municipality, laying a foundation for the Hollywood of today.

“The entire Gottlieb family takes tremendous pride in their hometown and the indelible mark they have made on the city over the last 74 years,” said Hollywood City Commissioner Kevin Biederman at the Dec. 4, 2024 Commission meeting before the resolution co-naming a section of North 46th Avenue was approved with a unanimous vote. The honorary co-naming does not change the street’s official name so no addresses will be affected.

Marvin Gottlieb began building homes in Hollywood Hills in 1959 and was one of few builders who remained active in Hollywood through the completion of Emerald Hills in the 1980s.

Marvin Gottlieb was also one of the first three families to build and live in Emerald Hills himself.

Hymen and Sadie Gottlieb had 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren who also lived in Hollywood. As of 2024, five generations of the Gottlieb family have made Hollywood their home, according to the City of Hollywood.

The Gottlieb family has also been active in civic organizations, synagogues, local politics and charitable organizations over the years.

For example, Judge Gottlieb served as a Hollywood City Commissioner from 1992-1996 and Vice Mayor from 1993-1994 and 1997-1998. Judge Gottlieb also served as a Florida State Representative from 1998-2006 in addition to participating in a wide range of civic organizations.

“Co-naming this roadway is a wonderful tribute to my father and grandfather,” Judge Gottlieb noted. “My family will always have strong ties to this beautiful community.”

ABOUT THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

The Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida is the court for Broward County, headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, FL. It is the second largest circuit court in the state. Broward County has 90 judges. Of those, 32 are county court judges and 58 are circuit judges. Four courthouses comprise the 17th circuit and include the Broward County Courthouse in Fort Lauderdale, and three satellite courthouses: the North Regional Courthouse in Deerfield Beach, the West Regional Courthouse in Plantation and the South Regional Courthouse in Hollywood.

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