

**CITY OF SEATTLE**

**RESOLUTION 32132**

A RESOLUTION providing an honorary designation of 8th Avenue between Seneca Street and Spring Street as “Wier Harman Way.”

WHEREAS, Wier Harman moved to Seattle twice, once as a company member of Annex

Theater and once as the executive director of Town Hall. “I came back to Seattle because

I always had it—even after I left—I always had it still in my heart,” he said; and

WHEREAS, under Wier’s stewardship Town Hall grew into a key organization in the regional

arts and culture ecosystem, merging civic engagement, community building, and cultural

activity, presenting artists and organizers from around the world, and drawing the Seattle

cultural community closer together; and

WHEREAS, Wier brought a deep generosity of spirit and an excitement for possible futures to

all of his personal friendships and all of his professional dealings; and

WHEREAS, Wier led Town Hall through a \$35.5 million capital project, he co-founded the

Downtown Historic Theater District, he co-produced over 400 events a year, and he

presided over the radical expansion of access and inclusiveness at Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, Governor Jay Inslee remembered Wier, saying “Wier was a particular kind of

genius. His genius was one of mutuality, of harmony, of provoking and inspiring genius

in others. In getting people to see it in others. He brought us together”; and

WHEREAS, Wier leaves behind a beautiful young family and an extended family of friends and

colleagues who loved him and will carry his legacy forward; NOW, THEREFORE,

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE**  
2 **MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:**

3           Section 1. Eighth Avenue between Seneca Street and Spring Street shall have an  
4 honorary designation as “Wier Harman Way.”

5           Section 2. The Council requests that the Seattle Department of Transportation  
6 manufacture, install, and maintain honorary signs at the locations and intersections above that  
7 reflect the “Wier Harman Way” honorary designation.

1 Adopted by the City Council the 9th day of April, 2024,

2 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 9th day of

3 April, 2024.

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5 President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

6 The Mayor concurred the 16th day of April, 2024.

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8 Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

9 Filed by me this 17th day of April, 2024.

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11 Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

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