

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 279 INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN FREEMAN BOSLEY,**
2 **SR.**

3 An ordinance authorizing and directing the Street Commissioner to take all
4 necessary actions to honorarily designate the 3100 block of N. Garrison Avenue as “Rev.
5 Theodore V. Foster Sr. Street.”

6 **Whereas,** Rev. Theodore V. Foster Sr. is a graduate of Vashon High School and
7 Washburn College of Mortuary Science, Chicago, Illinois. Rev. Foster received his
8 Master of Arts in Christian Education and a Doctorate of Philosophy in Psychology at the
9 Glad Tidings Bible College. He is a licensed and ordained minister and pastor of the
10 Eastern Star Baptist Church. Eastern Star Baptist Church is located at 3117-21 St. Louis
11 Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63106; and

12 **Whereas,** Rev. Foster has received recognition and served on several boards of
13 directors including the Urban League, the Human Development Corporation, Harris-
14 Stowe State University Business Council and the Annie Malone Children’s Home
15 Executive Board. Bestowed upon him was the Key to the City of St. Louis by Mayor
16 Freeman R. Bosley, Jr. Honorably, Rev. Foster led the Annie Malone Parade for 50
17 years, served as Past Potentate for Medina Temple 39, and he is the author of the book,
18 “Succeeding in Business as a Christian” ; and

19 **Whereas,** on a national level, Rev. Foster served on the boards of directors for
20 Arkansas Baptist College, the American Baptist College of Nashville, Tennessee, the
21 National Baptist Convention, the State of Missouri Baptist Convention, and served as
22 Past Imperial Potentate and Past Grand Chaplain for the State of Missouri US District.
23 Rev. Foster has been awarded many special honors and achievements from numerous
24 organizations including Governor Bond’s Community Service Award (1981), St. Louis

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1 Business and Salesman Bureau Association’s Professional Businessman of the Year,
2 (1983), the Dr. Martin Luther King Humanitarian Award (1989), the Annie P. Trunbo
3 Malone Continuous Service to Educational Scholarships Award (1990), and the
4 Community Service Award from the Young Democrats of the City of St. Louis (1995);
5 and

6 **Whereas**, Rev. Foster is a philanthropist in every way. He fed the hungry for
7 over 25 years, provided shelter for the homeless and provided funeral services for the
8 unfortunate.

9 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

10 **SECTION ONE.** Pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance 68937, Dodier Street
11 shall hereafter be honorarily designated as “Rev. Theodore V. Foster Sr. Street.”The
12 Director of Streets shall erect an honorary street-name sign at the intersection of N.
13 Garrison Avenue and St. Louis Avenue which sign shall read “Rev. Theodore V. Foster
14 Sr. Street.”