

To Mr Detric Leggett

& Mr. Joe Shearouse

Enclosed is my recommendation and submission for the renaming of Calhoun Square.

My name is Sandy Keck Everette

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65 year resident of Savannah and lover of this treasured historic city

When my parents moved here from Single Mountain, TN, in 1958, my Father loved this city because it reminded him of His hometown, New Orleans, LA.

History has always been appreciated by me, & at one time I worked as a tour guide for Historic Savannah Foundation becoming aware at that time of the importance of these seven ladies who seem to have been forgotten, hence my submission for their recognition.

My family has been blessed to live in other beautiful places: the Peace Corps sent my sister & her husband to Ethiopia for two years (Haile Salasie, the emperor then) and Uganda (til it was unsafe with Iddi Amin), Uncle Sam sent my husband & me to beautiful Bamberg, Germany, for three years, both my brothers graduated from Savannah High in 1963, then one went on to Saudi Arabia (where he met his Lebanese wife), and my youngest brother, fluent in Spanish & German, was stationed in Stuttgart, Germany, for two years where he played golf with all the visiting generals (At age 16 he came in 2nd in the 1963 Savannah City golf tournament after shooting one round at 67. I realize this may not be the information you wanted from me, but it is to let you know that I recognize Savannah right at the top of my list of beautiful places and it is due to the effort & determination of THESE SEVEN SPECIAL LADIES, who have almost been forgotten & who have helped make the city of Savannah very special.

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS SUBMISSION—lest we forget the impact they have made on Savannah.

*Many Thanks,
Sandy Keck Everette*

The Seven Sisters

Suggested Name for the Unnamed Square

Gratitude from the people who love Savannah is owed to seven extraordinary and determined ladies who inspired our city in the 1950's to organize to save the beautiful homes and buildings that had been neglected and were now being determined for new construction and for parking lots.

After the historic City Market building in Ellis Square was demolished, in 1955, these seven ladies joined together to organize Historic Savannah and save the 1820's Isaiah Davenport house on Columbia Square which was slated to be torn down to create a parking lot.¹ These ladies were able to raise \$22,500 to buy the neglected home and stop the demolitions. They then began to raise more money to restore the Davenport home.

Several of the ladies continued their work with other Historic Savannah members to raise awareness and interest in preserving the downtown area, creating the treasure that Savannah has become today. House by house, block by block, square by square, individual families and businesses began saving our historic structures and features. The Davenport House is now ranked among the great Georgian architectural houses in America.

To honor these seven pioneering women, I suggest the square be named **The Seven Sisters**.

The seven determined ladies:

- 1, Anna Colquitt Hunter (1892-1985)
2. Katherine Judkins Clark (1897-1993)
3. Elinor Adler Dillard (1903-1992)
4. Lucy Barrow McIntire (1886-1967)
5. Dorothy Ripley Roebling (1904-1977)
6. Nola McEvoy Roos (1895-1980)
7. Jane Adair Wright (1901-1991)

¹ *Savannah Revisited :History and Architecture*

Mills Lane, Beehive Press Book: Savannah, Georgia, 2001 p.218



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Re: Support for Renaming the Square at Abercorn St. and Easy Wayne St. "Seven Sisters"

To Whom It May Concern,

I, Alderman Detric Leggett, officially endorse the naming request for consideration to name the public square located on Abercorn and East Wayne Streets, to 'Seven Sisters Square' in accordance with City Ordinance and the process outlined within 'Article E. Naming of Public Property, Facilities, and Streets'.

I look forward to this application advancing within the process as required by City Code.

Thank you for your consideration of this nomination.

Regards,

Alderman Detric Leggett
District 2
City of Savannah, Georgia

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "D. Leggett", written over a light blue horizontal line.