



# Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

## Legislation Text

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An ordinance providing the honorary street name designation of “One Vanderbilt Way” for the entirety of Kirkland Circle.

WHEREAS, Kirkland Circle provides access from West End into the heart of Vanderbilt University’s campus, adjacent to numerous colleges and Kirkland Hall; and

WHEREAS, the “Vanderbilt Way” describes Vanderbilt University’s continued commitment to its mission of scholarship, creative expression, and education; and

WHEREAS, Vanderbilt University strives to achieve a cohesive identity throughout its campus; and

WHEREAS, in preparation for Vanderbilt University’s sesquicentennial; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 13.08 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides for the designation of honorary street names and signs without amending the Official Street and Alley Acceptance and Maintenance Map for the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, and without requiring residents and businesses to change their address.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the entirety of Kirkland Circle is hereby designated with the honorary street name of “One Vanderbilt Way”.

Section 2. This honorary street designation will not require any building on Kirkland Circle to change its street address.

Section 3. The Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure is hereby authorized and directed, upon the enactment and approval of this Ordinance, to install the appropriate signing designating this section of roadway as “One Vanderbilt Way” in accordance with 13.08.025 of the Metropolitan Code.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

### Analysis

This ordinance adds the honorary street name designation of “One Vanderbilt Way” for the entirety of Kirkland Circle. This street provides access from West End onto the Vanderbilt University campus.

Section 13.08.025 of the Metro Code provides a procedure for the designation of honorary street signs whereby the Council, by ordinance, can authorize and direct the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure to install two honorary street signs per street - at each end of a street - beneath the official street name sign for any street identified on the official Street and Alley Centerline Layer map. No honorary street sign can be installed honoring a living person; and each member of Council can sponsor only

one such ordinance each calendar year. This ordinance does not officially re-name the designated street. Therefore, there would be no change of official address for properties on Kirkland Circle.