

This letter is concerning the rezoning in Harlem ,

I am a Harlem resident and have been so for the past 60 years. I was born in Harlem Hospital and watched this community go through changes that have changed the landscape of this rich and vibrant community called Harlem. I have agreed with some of these wonderful changes and felt powerless about the ones I disagreed with.

I agree that all accomplishments and achievements of this diverse community should be highlighted. However your proposal of resolution H.Res77 to change Google, Wikipedia, Global Positioning System applications, Post offices, Metropolitan Transportation Authority maps, and TOURIST MAPS to recognize HAMILTON HEIGHTS, WASHINGTON HEIGHTS, AND INWOOD AS "QUISEQUEYA HEIGHTS" is an insult to me and my African American Heritage! What about the contributions of African Americans and other ethnic groups to this community?

It seems that you are proposing to ERASE my history and my legacy in Harlem.!

I voted for you and I feel this is a slap in the face of not only me but all African Americans in this community.

An angry constituent,

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