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Name Change, Philip D'Adamo Place,  
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Parks, Recreation, Cultural Affairs  
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THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
FINANCE DIVISION  
THOMAS MCMAHON, DIRECTOR  
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

INTRO. NO: 845

COMMITTEE: Parks, Recreation, Cultural Affairs  
and International Intergroup  
Relations

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Parks, Recreation, Cultural Affairs & International Intergroup Relations Committee  
Wendell Foster, Chairperson

Monday, December 2, 1996 ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Committee Room  
City Hall, Second Floor  
New York, New York 10007-1214

## Oversight:

New York City Commission for the United Nations, Consular Corps and  
International Business

### Int. 828

Introduced by Council Members Cruz and DeMarco; also Council Members  
Eisland, O'Donovan, Warden and Abel

A LOCAL LAW in relation to a playground name, Susan Caserta Playground,  
Borough of The Bronx.

### Int. 845

Introduced by Council Member Fisher; also Council Member O'Donovan

A LOCAL LAW in relation to a street name, Philip D'Adamo Place, Borough of  
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### Proposed Int. 863-A

Introduced by Council Members Duane and Wooten; also Council Members Freed,  
Rivera and Abel

A LOCAL LAW in relation to a street name, Reggie Fitzgerald Triangle, Borough  
of Manhattan.

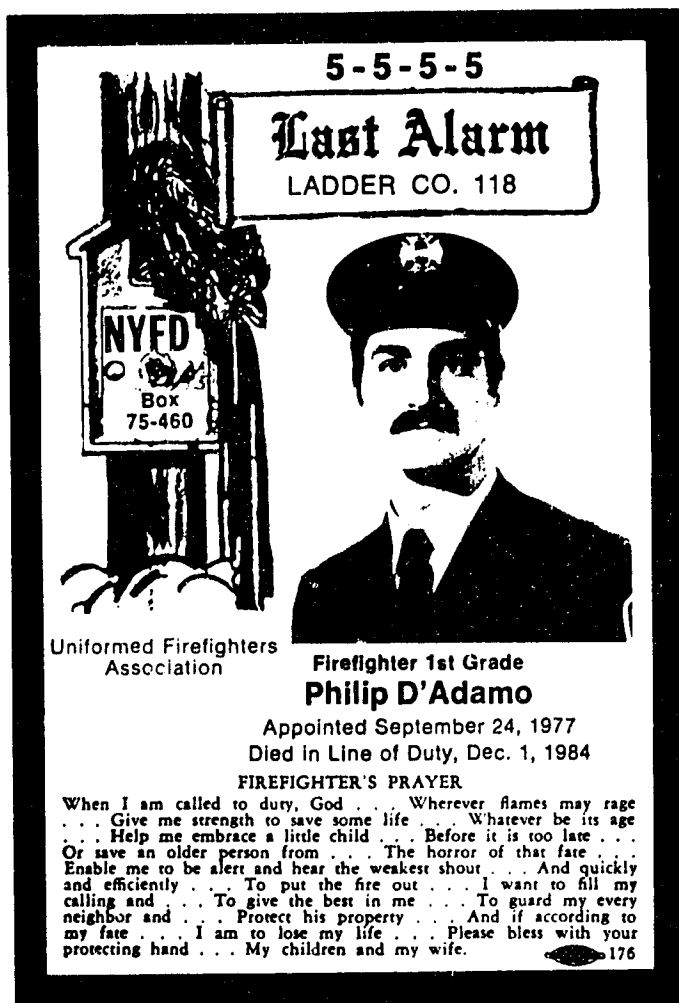
### Int. 868

Introduced by Council Member McCabe; also Council Members O'Donovan and  
Abel

A LOCAL LAW in relation to a park name, Fran Brady Under-The-Tracks  
Playground, Borough of Brooklyn.

OPEN : 11:00  
Close : 1:00

Vote: 8-1 IN FAVOR  
0- OPPOSED  
0- ABSTENTIONS



**LADDER COMPANY 118**

**BADGE 7868**

**743 FIREFIGHTER TO DIE IN THE LINE OF DUTY – BOX 460**

FIREFIGHTER PHIL D'ADAMO WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN NEW YORK. PHIL WAS THE SON OF ANNE AND MICHAEL D'ADAMO AND BROTHER OF DOMINICK, WHO LIVED FOR MANY YEARS ON UNION STREET IN THE CARROLL GARDENS SECTION OF BROOKLYN. FIREFIGHTER D'ADAMO WENT TO OUR LADY OF PEACE GRAMMAR SCHOOL AND ST. AUGUSTINE

**PHILIP D'ADAMO**

BORN: JULY 12, 1949

DECEASED: DEC. 1, 1984

AGE: 35

STATUS: MARRIED

WIFE GRACE

CHILDREN:

MICHAEL --- 23

ANTHONY – 21

STEPHANIE -19

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

APPT: SEPT. 28, 1977

ASSIGNED: NOV.5, 1977

HIGH SCHOOL WHERE HE GRADUATED WITH AN ACADEMIC DEGREE IN 1966.

IMMEDIATELY UPON HIS GRADUATION, PHIL KNEW HE HAD A SPECIAL CALLING, THAT WAS TO HELP OTHERS. FF. D'ADAMO ENLISTED INTO THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORP. WHERE HE WENT THROUGH EXTENSIVE TRAINING AT Parris Island AND LATER WAS ASSIGNED TO CAMP PENDLETON FOR HIS REMAINING TOUR OF DUTY.

AFTER LEAVING THE U.S. MARINE CORP., HE MOVED BACK TO BROOKLYN AND STARTED WORKING IN THE FINANCIAL DISTRICT IN MANHATTAN IT WAS DURING THIS TIME, THAT ON NOVEMBER 22, 1970 HE MARRIED HIS LIFELONG SWEETHEART GRACE GUCCIONE. PHIL THEN WENT TO WORK FOR MERRILL LYNCH AS AN ORDER CLERK AND IT WAS AT THIS TIME, HE AGAIN GOT THAT SPECIAL CALLING AND ON AUGUST 31, 1973 HE WENT TO WORK FOR THE N.Y.C. POLICE DEPARTMENT.. DURING THIS TIME PHIL WAS DOING WHAT HE DID BEST—HELPING OTHERS. POLICE OFFICER D'ADAMO WAS ASSIGNED TO MIDTOWN NORTH AND THE **60 PRECINCT**.

PHIL D'ADAMO FOUND THAT HIS CALLING CHANGED SLIGHTLY A FEW YEARS AFTER HIS FIRST CHILD WAS BORN.



. PHIL'S OLDEST SON STARTED PLAYING BASEBALL FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD PARISH, REGINA PACIS AND PHIL BECAME HEAVILY INVOLVED WITH THE LOCAL LITTLE LEAGUE. INSTEAD OF WEARING JUST A BADGE AND GUN, HE ALSO WORE A BASEBALL HAT AND SHIRT WHICH BORE THE WORDS – **COACH**. PHIL HIMSELF WAS AN AVID SPORTSMAN. IN GRAMMAR SCHOOL HE PLAYED FOOTBALL AND IN HIGH SCHOOL HE RAN TRACK, A VERY USEFUL SPORT NOW THAT HE WAS A POLICE OFFICER.

IN 1978, PHIL DECIDED TO MOVE TO STATEN ISLAND AND CONTINUE HIS COMMUNITY WORK IN THIS BOROUGH. HE COACHED THE STATEN ISLAND PEE WEE LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL TEAM, AND A YEAR LATER, BEGAN COACHING THE PEE WEE FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

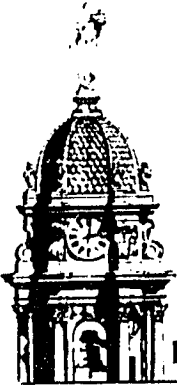
ON SEPT. 28, 1977, THAT SPECIAL CALLING AGAIN CAME TO PHIL AND HE TRADED IN HIS GUN AND SHIELD FOR A NEW BADGE, THE BADGE OF THE BRAVEST-THE NEW YORK CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT. PROBATIONARY FIREFIGHTER D'ADAMO WENT FOR 6 WEEKS OF TRAINING AT RANDALL'S ISLAND AND ON NOVEMBER 5, 1977, FF. D'ADAMO WAS ASSIGNED TO LADDER COMPANY 118 IN BROOKLYN HEIGHTS.

IN THE SEVEN YEARS THAT FF. D'ADAMO WAS ASSIGNED TO LADDER COMPANY 118, HE ACCOMPLISHED MANY OBJECTIVES. AT THE TIME OF HIS DEMISE, PHIL WAS ONE OF THE SENIOR MEMBERS IN THE COMPANY. HE WAS A VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND CONSCIENTIOUS FIREFIGHTER. AND A POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON THE YOUNGER MEMBERS IN THE HOUSE. HE WAS A REGULAR ASSIGNED CHAUFFEUR OF LADDER COMPANY 118 AND WAS OPERATING IN THIS POSITION THAT DREADFUL NIGHT. HIS COMMITMENT DID NOT END THERE HOWEVER, FF. D'ADAMO WAS A DRIVING FORCE BEHIND THE ANNUAL FIREHOUSE CHRISTMAS PARTIES FOR CHILDREN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. HAVING THREE CHILDREN OF HIS OWN, HE WANTED TO HELP OTHERS PEOPLE'S KIDS TOO. HIS GOOD NATURE WAS A NOTED PART OF THE FIREHOUSE. FF. D'ADAMO WAS AN ETERNAL PRACTICAL JOKER. HE TURNED EVERYTHING UPSIDE DOWN. THE LAST ACT THAT FF. D'ADAMO PERFORMED WAS TO TURN THE FIREHOUSE KITCHEN CLOCK UPSIDE DOWN, TODAY THE CLOCK STILL UPSIDE DOWN—A LASTING MEMORY TO PHIL.

ON DECEMBER 1. 1984, FF. PHIL D'ADAMO SUCCUMBED TO HIS INJURIES AT BOX 460 WHILE PERFORMING A SEARCH FOR POSSIBLE VICTIMS ONE FLOOR ABOVE THE BURNING AUDITORIUM

AT ST. ANN'S SCHOOL, LOCATED AT 127 PIERREPONT STREET.

FF. D'ADAMO IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THREE CHILDREN LIVING IN STATEN ISLAND. HE PROVIDED WELL FOR HIS FAMILY. EACH CHILD ATTENDED AND GRADUATED ST. ANN'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ST. JOSEPH'S BY THE SEA HIGH SCHOOL AND ALL WENT ON TO COLLEGE. A FITTING TRIBUTE TO FF. PHIL D'ADAMO WAS THE EULOGY GIVEN BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S CHAPLAIN, MSGR., THOMAS BRADY WHO DESCRIBED A SCENE FROM THE FAMOUS NOVEL, "TO KILL A MOCKING BIRD" HE SAID A LAWYER IN A SMALL SOUTHERN TOWN LOST A TRIAL, BUT THE SPECTATORS STOOD WHEN HE LEFT THE COURTROOM. THE LAWYER'S DAUGHTER ASKED A MINISTER WHY THE PEOPLE WERE STANDING AND HE REPLIED; "EVERYONE IS STANDING BECAUSE YOUR FATHER IS WALKING BY." MSGR. BRADY WENT ON TO SAY THAT "TODAY THE ENTIRE CITY OF NEW YORK IS STANDING BECAUSE YOUR FATHER IS WALKING BY.



**PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN**

BOROUGH HALL 209 JORALEMON STREET, BROOKLYN, N.Y. 11201

1-718/802-3700  
FAX: 1-718/802-3778

HOWARD GOLDEN  
PRESIDENT

December 2, 1996

Honorable Wendell Foster  
Councilmember  
New York City Council  
City Hall  
New York, New York, 10007

Dear Councilmember Foster:

I am writing to express my support for Intro 845, sponsored by Councilmember Kenneth Fisher.

This bill, currently before the City Council's Parks Committee, would rename Middagh Street, between Hicks and Henry Streets, in Brooklyn, in honor of New York City Firefighter Philip D'Adamo.

Firefighter Philip D'Adamo, a native of Brooklyn and a respected public servant who had previously served our city as a police officer and our country as Marine, died in the line of duty on December 1, 1984 after responding to a fire at the St. Ann's School in the Brooklyn Heights section of Brooklyn. Intro 845 would rename the street in front of Ladder Company 118 where Firefighter D'Adamo was assigned from the day of his graduation to the day of his untimely death.

It is a most fitting honor to create a visual remembrance at this location to commemorate the dedicated service of Firefighter Philip D'Adamo. I strongly urge the City Council to bestow this most appropriate honor.

Thank you for your courtesy in this regard.

Sincerely



Howard Golden

cc: Councilmember Kenneth Fisher  
Captain Richard Callery, FDNY Ladder Company 118

Staff: Terzah Nasser  
Counsel to the Committee

**THE COUNCIL**  
**REPORT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE DIVISION**  
**NICHOLAS LAPORTE, DIRECTOR**

**COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND**  
**INTERNATIONAL INTERGROUP RELATIONS**

Wendell Foster, Committee Chair

December 2, 1996

**INT. NO. 845:**

By: Council Member Fisher; also  
Council Member O'Donovan

**TITLE:**

In relation to a street name, Philip  
D'Adamo Place, Borough of Brooklyn.

**INTENT:**

This legislation would add, through the  
posting of an additional sign, the name  
"Philip D'Adamo Place," on Middagh  
Street between Henry Street and Hicks  
Street.

**COMMENT:**

Philip D'Adamo was born to Anne and Michael D'Adamo on July 12, 1949 in Brooklyn. He attended Our Lady of Peace Grammar School, where he played football, and graduated from Saint Augustine High School in 1966, where he ran track. After graduation Philip D'Adamo enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, underwent extensive training at Parris Island and was then assigned to Camp Pendleton for his remaining tour of duty. Upon his discharge, he moved back to Brooklyn and began

working in Manhattan's financial district. Philip D'Adamo married his longtime sweetheart Grace Guccione on November 22, 1970.

Philip D'Adamo enjoyed helping others and decided to join the New York City Police Department to which he was appointed on August 31, 1973. He was assigned to Midtown North and the 60th Precinct in Brooklyn. A little later in life, on September 28, 1977, he decided to turn in his gun and shield for a new badge, the badge of the New York City Fire Department. He completed six weeks of training at the Fire Department's training center on Randall's Island and on November 5, 1977 was assigned to Ladder Company 118 in Brooklyn Heights.

During his seven years with the Fire Department he accomplished many objectives. A conscientious firefighter, he became one of the senior members in Ladder Company 118 and was a positive influence on the younger members of the Company. He was also the driving force behind the annual firehouse Christmas parties for children in the neighborhood.

During his leisure time, Philip D'Adamo enjoyed sports. When his oldest son Michael, started playing baseball for the neighborhood parish, Philip D'Adamo became heavily involved with the local Little League and became a coach during his off-duty hours. In 1978, when the D'Adamo family moved to Staten Island, he continued to work with the youth of his new community by coaching the Staten Island Pee Wee Little League and eventually the Pee Wee Football League.

**Sadly, on December 1, 1984, Firefighter Philip D'Adamo succumbed to injuries suffered while searching for possible victims on the floor above the burning auditorium of Saint Ann's School in Brooklyn. He was survived by his wife and three children, Michael, Anthony and Stephanie.**

**As a tribute to the life and sacrifice of Philip D'Adamo, this legislation names Middagh Street between Henry Street and Hicks Street, where Ladder Company 118 is located, as "Philip D'Adamo Place."**

**This local law shall take effect immediately.**

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11/27/96**

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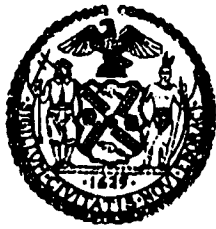
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212-788-7210

November 25, 1996

Company Commander  
Ladder Co. 118  
Fire Department of the City of New York  
74 Middagh Street  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Dear Company Commander:

RE: **Int. 845** - Philip D'Adamo Place

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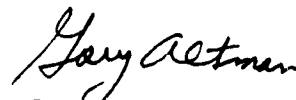
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(PLEASE PRINT)  
Name: GONE KELTY

Address: 22-11 146 St

I represent: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please complete this card and return to the Sergeant-at-Arms

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Name: JAMES ROSENBERGER

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### MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

**TITLE:** Local law calling upon the appropriate committee of the Council of City of New York to add "Philip D'Adamo Place" to the street name on a portion of Middagh Street between Henry Street and Hicks Street.

**TYPE OF LEGISLATION:** Local Law

**SUBMITTED BY:** Kenneth K. Fisher

**REASON FOR SUPPORT:** The community and members of the Ladder Company 118 wish to honor Firefighter Phillip D'Adamo. Mr. D'Adamo was killed in December of 1984 at the "St Ann's fire".

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT

August 2, 1994

Hon. Kenneth Fisher  
COUNCILMAN  
16 Court Street  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Dear Councilman Fisher:

This December will be ten years since the death of Firefighter 1st Grade Phillip D'Adamo from Staten Island.

Firefighter D'Adamo was appointed on 9/28/77 and assigned to Ladder Company 118 located on Middagh Street in the Brooklyn Heights area. Phil D'Adamo, then 35 years old, was a devoted father of three, traded in a Policeman's Badge which he wore previously for several years to become a N.Y.C. Firefighter.

Phil, who lived on Staten Island, was a popular coach for the Little League and Pee Wee Baseball and Football teams. However, he was noted in the Firehouse for his practical jokes. One of his last jokes before that fatal run, was to turn the clock in the Firehouse kitchen upside down. As one Firefighter who worked with Phil said, "20 years from now I guarantee you that the clock is going to still be hanging upside down." The new Probiens will be told don't touch that clock. IT IS A REQUIEM FOR A TOUGH GUY, A BRAVE GUY, A COP, A FIREMAN - A MAN WHO GAVE EVERYTHING TO THE KIDS OF THIS NEIGHBORHOOD - AND EVERYTHING TO HIS CITY, NEW YORK.

This year, Engine Company 205, will be celebrating its' 125th Anniversary in Kings County, as well as, the 10th Anniversary of the death of Firefighter D'Adamo. The Officers and Members of Engine Company 205 & Ladder Company 118 are requesting your support in honoring the memory of a BRAVE FIREFIGHTER, a man who gave his all for the kids he loved, and the City he loved by renaming the street in front of the Firehouse as Firefighter Phillip D'Adamo Street. While the members know that this is a very difficult request, we also know that Phil was a very "SPECIAL PERSON."

I hope that we can count on your assistance and await your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wayne Persans".

Captain Wayne Persans

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT

LADDER CO. 118

Aug. 9, 1994

Libbie Wills  
Chairperson  
Community Board # 2  
30 3rd. Ave.  
Brooklyn, N.Y. 11217

Dear Chairperson Wills:

Attached is a letter to Councilman Fisher, regarding the re-naming and/or A/K/A of the street in front of Engine Company 205 and Ladder Company 118. We would appreciate your support with this effort and request your assistance in the procedure.

FF. D'Adamo dedicated his whole life to helping other, from his involvement as a coach in his home town of Staten Island to being one of New York's Bravest.

The Officers and members of Engine Co. 205 & Ladder Co. 118 would appreciate your assistance and await your response as to what course of action you would like us to follow. Thank You for your kind attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

cc: Mrs. Williams - Dist. Manager



HOWARD GOLDEN  
Borough President

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August 2, 1996

WILLIAM VINCOMBE  
Chairperson  
EVELYN WILLIAMS  
District Manager

Hon. Kenneth Fisher  
Councilman  
16 Court Street  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

RE: Middaugh Street co-naming

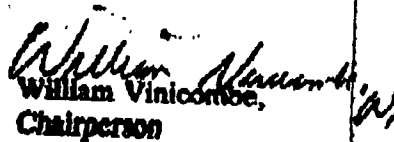
Dear Councilman Fisher:

At the full Board meeting of May 10, 1995, the Board voted for the co-naming of the block of Middaugh Street in front of the firehouse in honor of firefighter Philip D'Adamo. The members of the Ladder Co. 118, located on Middaugh Street requested support for its proposal to co-name Middaugh Street between Henry Street and Hicks Streets, Philip D'Adamo Place. Firefighter D'Adamo was killed in December of 1984 at the "St. Ann's Fire" which is remembered by the community for its severity and the loss of life.

Please note that as with all similar requests, that the name of the street is not changed, but a suitable additional street sign is added.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

  
William Vinicombe,  
Chairperson

WV/caa

cc: Mr. William Vinicombe,  
Ms. Verdell Bivens  
Captain Wayne Parsons,  
Fire Department



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812 789-4329

August 20, 1996

TO: Council Member Fisher  
FROM: Infrastructure Division  
RE: In relation to a street name, Philip D' Adamo Place,  
Borough of Brooklyn.

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Int. No.

By Council Member Fisher

A LOCAL LAW

In relation to a street name, Philip D'Adamo Place, Borough of Brooklyn.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. The following street name is hereby designated as hereafter indicated.

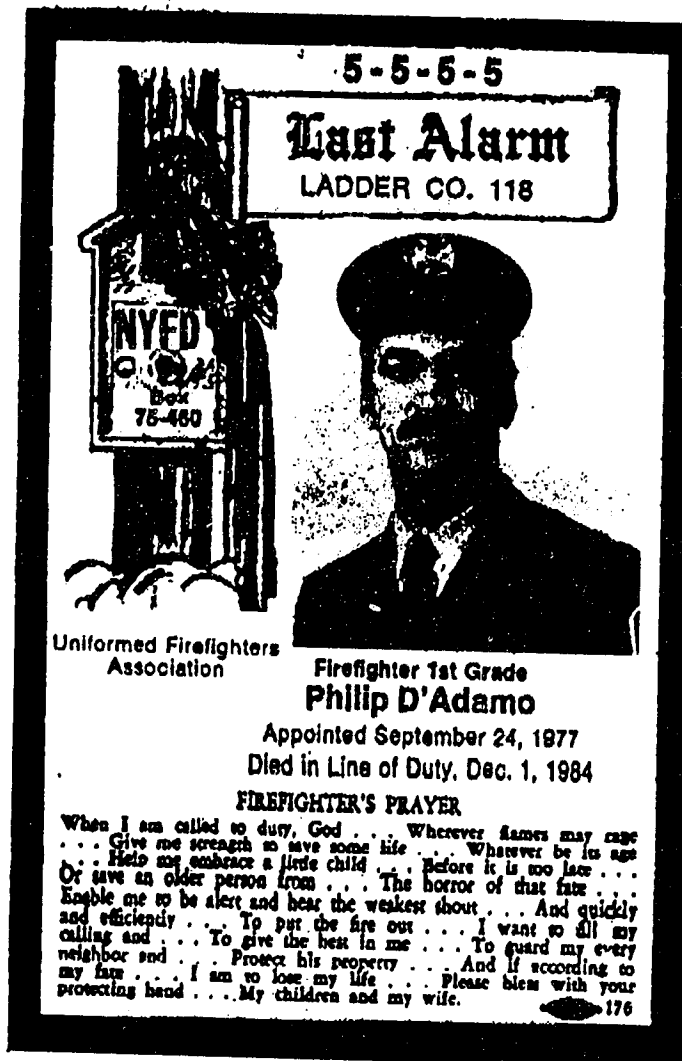
New name	Present name	Limits
Philip D' Adamo Place	Middagh Street	between Henry Street and Hicks Street

§2. This local law shall take effect immediately.

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## PHILIP D'ADAMO

BORN: JULY 12, 1949

DECEASED: DEC. 1, 1984

AGE: 35

STATUS: MARRIED  
WIFE: GRACE

CHILDREN:  
MICHAEL — 23  
ANTHONY — 21  
STEPHANIE -19

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

APPT: SEPT. 28, 1977

ASSIGNED: NOV. 5, 1977

**BADGE 7868**

### 743 FIREFIGHTER TO DIE IN THE LINE OF DUTY - BOX 460

FIREFIGHTER PHIL D'ADAMO WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN NEW YORK. PHIL WAS THE SON OF ANNE AND MICHAEL D'ADAMO AND BROTHER OF DOMINICK WHO LIVED FOR MANY YEARS ON UNION STREET IN THE CARROLL GARDENS SECTION OF BROOKLYN. FIREFIGHTER D'ADAMO WENT



HIGH SCHOOL WHERE HE GRADUATED WITH AN ACADEMIC DEGREE IN 1966.

IMMEDIATELY UPON HIS GRADUATION, PHIL KNEW HE HAD A SPECIAL CALLING, THAT WAS TO HELP OTHERS. FF. D'ADAMO ENLISTED INTO THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORP. WHERE HE WENT THROUGH EXTENSIVE TRAINING AT Parris Island AND LATER WAS ASSIGNED TO CAMP PENDLETON FOR HIS REMAINING TOUR OF DUTY.

AFTER LEAVING THE U.S. MARINE CORP., HE MOVED BACK TO BROOKLYN AND STARTED WORKING IN THE FINANCIAL DISTRICT IN MANHATTAN IT WAS DURING THIS TIME, THAT ON NOVEMBER 22, 1970 HE MARRIED HIS LIFELONG SWEETHEART GRACE GUCCIONE. PHIL THEN WENT TO WORK FOR MERRILL LYNCH AS AN ORDER CLERK AND IT WAS AT THIS TIME, HE AGAIN GOT THAT SPECIAL CALLING AND ON AUGUST 31, 1973 HE WENT TO WORK FOR THE N.Y.C. POLICE DEPARTMENT.. DURING THIS TIME PHIL WAS DOING WHAT HE DID BEST—HELPING OTHERS. POLICE OFFICER D'ADAMO WAS ASSIGNED TO MIDTOWN NORTH AND THE 60 PRECINCT.

PHIL D'ADAMO FOUND THAT HIS CALLING CHANGED SLIGHTLY A FEW YEARS AFTER HIS FIRST CHILD WAS BORN.

. PHIL'S OLDEST SON STARTED PLAYING BASEBALL FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD PARISH, REGINA PACIS AND PHIL BECAME HEAVILY INVOLVED WITH THE LOCAL LITTLE LEAGUE. INSTEAD OF WEARING JUST A BADGE AND GUN, HE ALSO WORE A BASEBALL HAT AND SHIRT WHICH BORE THE WORDS - COACH. PHIL HIMSELF WAS AN AVID SPORTSMAN. IN GRAMMAR SCHOOL HE PLAYED FOOTBALL AND IN HIGH SCHOOL HE RAN TRACK, A VERY USEFUL SPORT NOW THAT HE WAS A POLICE OFFICER.

IN 1978, PHIL DECIDED TO MOVE TO STATEN ISLAND AND CONTINUE HIS COMMUNITY WORK IN THIS BOROUGH. HE COACHED THE STATEN ISLAND PEE WEE LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL TEAM, AND A YEAR LATER, BEGAN COACHING THE PEE WEE FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

ON SEPT. 28, 1977, THAT SPECIAL CALLING AGAIN CAME TO PHIL AND HE TRADED IN HIS GUN AND SHIELD FOR A NEW BADGE, THE BADGE OF THE BRAVEST-THE NEW YORK CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT. PROBATIONARY FIREFIGHTER D'ADAMO WENT FOR 6 WEEKS OF TRAINING AT RANDALL'S ISLAND AND ON NOVEMBER 5, 1977, FF. D'ADAMO WAS ASSIGNED TO LADDER COMPANY 118 IN BROOKLYN HEIGHTS.

IN THE SEVEN YEARS THAT FF. D'ADAMO WAS ASSIGNED TO LADDER COMPANY 118, HE ACCOMPLISHED MANY OBJECTIVES. AT THE TIME OF HIS DEMISE, PHIL WAS ONE OF THE SENIOR MEMBERS IN THE COMPANY. HE WAS A VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND CONSCIENTIOUS FIREFIGHTER. AND A POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON THE YOUNGER MEMBERS IN THE HOUSE. HE WAS A REGULAR ASSIGNED CHAUFFEUR OF LADDER COMPANY 118 AND WAS OPERATING IN THIS POSITION THAT DREADFUL NIGHT. HIS COMMITMENT DID NOT END THERE HOWEVER, FF. D'ADAMO WAS A DRIVING FORCE BEHIND THE ANNUAL FIREHOUSE CHRISTMAS PARTIES FOR CHILDREN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. HAVING THREE CHILDREN OF HIS OWN, HE WANTED TO HELP OTHERS PEOPLE'S KIDS TOO. HIS GOOD NATURE WAS A NOTED PART OF THE FIREHOUSE. FF. D'ADAMO WAS AN ETERNAL PRACTICAL JOKER. HE TURNED EVERYTHING UPSIDE DOWN. THE LAST ACT THAT FF. D'ADAMO PERFORMED WAS TO TURN THE FIREHOUSE KITCHEN CLOCK UPSIDE DOWN, TODAY THE CLOCK STILL UPSIDE DOWN—A LASTING MEMORY TO PHIL.

ON DECEMBER 1, 1984, FF. PHIL D'ADAMO SUCCUMBED TO HIS INJURIES AT BOX 460 WHILE PERFORMING A SEARCH FOR POSSIBLE VICTIMS ONE FLOOR ABOVE THE BURNING AUDITORIUM

AT ST. ANN'S SCHOOL, LOCATED AT 127 PIERREPONT STREET.

FF. D'ADAMO IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THREE CHILDREN LIVING IN STATEN ISLAND. HE PROVIDED WELL FOR HIS FAMILY. EACH CHILD ATTENDED AND GRADUATED ST. ANN'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ST. JOSEPH'S BY THE SEA HIGH SCHOOL AND ALL WENT ON TO COLLEGE. A FITTING TRIBUTE TO FF. PHIL D'ADAMO WAS THE EULOGY GIVEN BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S CHAPLAIN, MSGR., THOMAS BRADY WHO DESCRIBED A SCENE FROM THE FAMOUS NOVEL, "TO KILL A MOCKING BIRD" HE SAID A LAWYER IN A SMALL SOUTHERN TOWN LOST A TRIAL, BUT THE SPECTATORS STOOD WHEN HE LEFT THE COURTROOM. THE LAWYER'S DAUGHTER ASKED A MINISTER WHY THE PEOPLE WERE STANDING AND HE REPLIED; "EVERYONE IS STANDING BECAUSE YOUR FATHER IS WALKING BY." MSGR. BRADY WENT ON TO SAY THAT "TODAY THE ENTIRE CITY OF NEW YORK IS STANDING BECAUSE YOUR FATHER IS WALKING BY.



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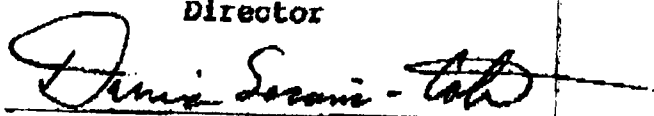
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