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Hi Council,
I forgot to mention/ran out of time to mention during my comment in our informal discussion the other night that I'm hoping we can help bring more understanding of the remarkable life of Asheville born and raised son, Floyd McKissick Sr. by declaring his 100th birthday, March 9, 2022 to be Floyd McKissick Sr. Day in The City of Asheville. His name should also be considered when we change some of our street names. Perhaps we could even name the entire section of NC Highway 25 that runs through Asheville (Weaverville Road, Merrimon Ave, Broadway, Biltmore, and Hendersonville Road) to simply Floyd McKissick Sr. Highway or something.
I'm just going to send you some of the links that I found about Mr. McKissick for now. This is a great opportunity for this historic Council to help preserve some history that has been overlooked.

Thanks-
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https://www.crmvet.org/nars/floyd1.htm
https://www.blackpast.org/african-american-history/mckissick-floyd-b-1922-1991/
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