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## TUBMAN-GARRETT RIVERFRONT PARK

Wilmington, Delaware  
July 10, 1997



Park named after freedom conductor Harriet Tubman and abolitionist Thomas Garrett. My great great great grandfather Abraham D. Shadd was a shoemaker and a part of Thomas Garrett's underground railroad network in the Baltimore/Wilmington/Philadelphia area. Jim Shreve.  
Photo by Jim Shreve

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President Baker

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*Whereas*, the City and State, through the Riverfront Development Corporation and the Christina Gateway Corporation, will be developing a new riverfront park at the southern gateway to the city adjacent to the Amtrak Rail Station and the South Market Street Bridge; and

» **Harriet  
Tubman's  
Civil War  
Pension**

*Whereas*, the park is close to a number of locations connected to the history of the Underground Railroad that network for courageous blacks and whites whose efforts enabled thousands of enslaved human beings to escape to the blessings of freedom; and

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*Whereas*, Wilmington has no physical remains from the era that mark these locations, which included the road from the south over the Christina bridge at Market Street, over which Harriet Tubman led hundreds to freedom at the end of repeated dangerous trips to slave areas, and the nearby home of Thomas Garrett, who lost most of his material possessions in punishment for helping slaves escape to free states; and

» **THOMAS  
GARRETT**

» **THOMAS  
GARRETT DAY**

*Whereas*, it is appropriate that people today have a continual reminder of the past evils of slavery, and the courage of individuals from varied backgrounds who risked their lives and fortunes to free others from its chains.

» **ALBANY FREE  
SCHOOL**

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Council recommends to the Riverfront Development Corporation that the new riverfront park at the foot of King Street be named the Tubman-Garrett Park, and that appropriate commemorations of their work and the association of the site with the Underground Railroad be included in the park's design.

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Passed by City Council, July 10, 1997

» **STAR HILL  
A.M.E. CHURCH**

Attest: Leo Marshall

» **TUBMAN-  
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RIVERFRONT  
PARK**

City Clerk

Approved as to form this 9<sup>th</sup>  
Day of July, 1997

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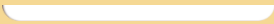
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