

# MOTION

PUBLIC WORKS & GANG REDUCTION

Mickey Rooney stole the heart of America at a young age. He landed his first breakthrough role in Hollywood at age seven as Mickey McGuire. Graduating in 1938 from Hollywood High School, Mickey Rooney soon shot to stardom as Andy Hardy in the film series, *A Family Affair*, and as Whitey Marsh in the drama film, *Boys Town*. He inspired the image of the exemplary, heartthrob American teen both on and off screen. Mickey Rooney joined the iconic class of Hollywood High's elite including but not limited to Judy Garland, James Garner, Carol Burnett, Robert Carradine, Cher, Laurence Fishburne, Warren Christopher, Sally Kellerman, Ruta Lee, Joel McCrea, Yvette Mimieux, Stefanie Powers, John Ritter, Jill St. John, Don Steele, Charlene Tilton, Joe Trippi, John Huston, Alan Ladd, Rita Wilson, David Nelson, Ricky Nelson and Ed Tom.

In the 1940s, Mickey Rooney entertained the United States Armed Forces overseas and at numerous USO shows entertaining military personnel. Drafted into the United States Army, he served entertainment to over two million troops on stage and radio, leading him to receive a Bronze Star for performing in combat zones.

With his spunk and refined stage presence, Mickey Rooney returned to playing mature characters in supporting roles, earning an Oscar nomination for *The Black Stallion* in 1979. He took on Broadway in *Sugar Babies*, countless guest television performances, and received an Emmy Award and Golden Globe for his performance in *Bill*. In his nearly ninth decade of performing, Mickey Rooney appeared in *A Night at the Museum* and *The Muppets*.

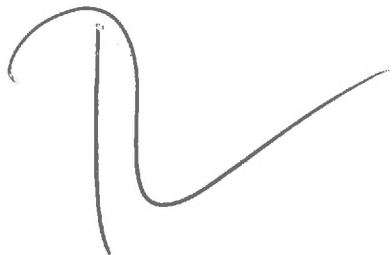
Over his lifetime, Mickey Rooney received numerous awards, including four Academy Awards for his contributions to the industry.

Mickey Rooney spent much of his life giving to others: his nine children, his 19 grandchildren, the American troops he entertained overseas during World War II, and the audiences of his over 300 cinematic works. He also fought for elder rights against abuse in 2011 before a special United States Senate committee.

In recognition of Mickey Rooney's lifetime achievements in the entertainment industry, as well as his philanthropic contributions, it is appropriate that the City honor his memory by naming the intersection at Sunset Boulevard and North Orange Drive as the "Mickey Rooney Memorial Square."

I THEREFORE MOVE that the intersection at Sunset Boulevard and North Orange Drive be designated as the "Mickey Rooney Memorial Square."

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Transportation be instructed to work with Council District 4 in the development and installation of an appropriate commemorative sign(s), to be funded by Council District 4.



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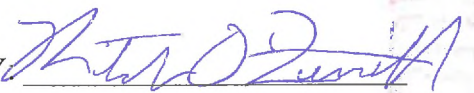


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