I Matter (my declaration) by Chrissie Okorie

I Matter. Me. Chrissie Okorie. My feelings, my dreams, vision, values matter. Even when the world sees my Black melanin skin a problem, I will always matter.

I am somebody's daughter Someone's sister I matter to someone.

My name is written on the stars that sit on the pavement of Hollywood boulevard. I make this declaration that if I don't matter to the world, I matter to myself.

I will put myself first and not allow anyone to dim my light, my goals, accomplishments, mental health, well-being. My position in this world matters. Even if I don't matter to the world. I matter to myself. I Matter. Me. Chrissie Okorie.