

October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Mr. Kevin Burke  
Manager, City of Flagstaff  
211 West Aspen Street  
Flagstaff, Arizona 86001

**RE: Consideration and Approval of Renaming the Mountain View Park the James Cullen Memorial Park**

Mr. Burke,

By means of Resolution Number 2001-73; the purpose of this letter is to present the proposal of renaming the Mountain View Park, located at 519 W. Piute Rd, the James Cullen Memorial Park. The proposal is based on the criteria of long term unconditional service to the community and is supported by affiliated local charities and several Flagstaff citizens.

James Cullen moved his family to Flagstaff in 1969 and lived in the Coconino Estates area, near the Mountain View Park, for 41 years until his battle with cancer took his life on September 26, 2010. James Cullen owned and operated Niles Radio (1970-2010) where he maintained communication sites and systems including the Flagstaff Police Department, Flagstaff Fire Department, and Coconino County Sheriff's Department.

James Cullen's community involvement and instrumental generosity extended throughout several charities for children, countless hours of donated time, and personal contributions to support local youth. Key elements of community involvement are highlighted as follows:

Charter Member of Flagstaff Community Toys for Tots

- Christmas for Underprivileged Youth Program
- Supai Air Lift Christmas Program
- Fat Tire Bike Ride vehicle and equipment support
- Christmas Raffle Party audio and visual systems
- Parade and Float Superintendent
- Sound System Donations for all events

Member of Flagstaff Marine League Charities

- Veterans Welfare Program
- 2001 Organization of the Year by the Arizona Daily Sun

Supported Purple Heart Chapter 793

- Local combat- wounded veterans

Supported Sunnyside Neighborhood Association of Flagstaff

- Spring Break Program
- Sunnyside Community Support
- Dental and Medical for Underprivileged Children
- Wood for Warmth Program

- Community Support for Youth
- Helped provide winter jackets to children
- Supported various youth sports programs

Awarded Chapel of the Four Chaplain's Legion of Honor Award in 2005

Awarded based on modeling the giving spirit and unconditional service to community, nation, and humanity. Other members include Harry Truman, Dwight Eisenhower, James Carter and Ronald Reagan as well as deserving military personnel, veterans, and civilians that exhibited those same characteristics.

Attachments:

- Marine League Charities Endorsement Letter
- The Purple Heart Flagstaff Arizona Chapter 793 Endorsement Letter
- The Sunnyside Neighborhood Association Endorsement Letter
- Flagstaff Citizen Joe Farnsworth Endorsement Letter
- Flagstaff Citizen and FHS Principal Tony Cullen Supporting Letter

The approval of this proposal will have no financial impact to the City of Flagstaff, all signage requirements and commencement ceremonies will be paid for by the Cullen Family.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



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